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An empty fireplace, once the source of heat and food for Pocohantas and John Rolfe, today stands as a remembrance of the past and shows how far America has progressed. The cover, the fireplace with Pocohantas etched in, is a memorial to the heritage of all Varinians, whether descendents or emigrants. It is only right that a Varinian, Ray Blunt, should design this cover.

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G BUILDING BETWEEN
classes!! A brick campus-type
school, Varina 1976, is a far cry
from the one room schoolhouses
of the past.

A musical duet performed by sisters Kathleen Stevens and Jennifer Gooch add their talent to the Band Show TOOT.

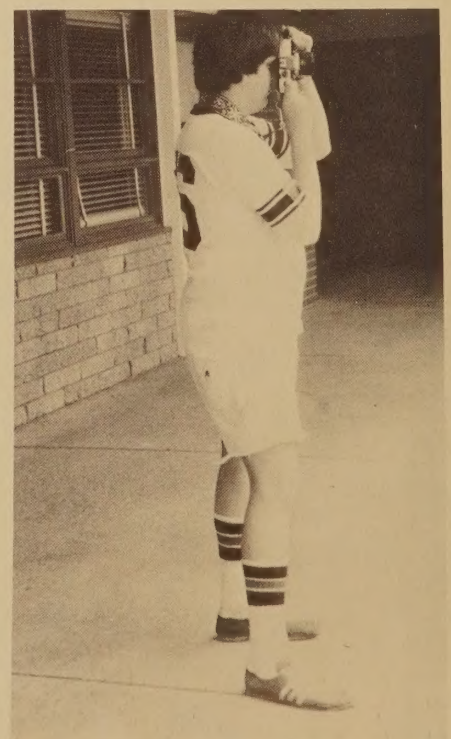
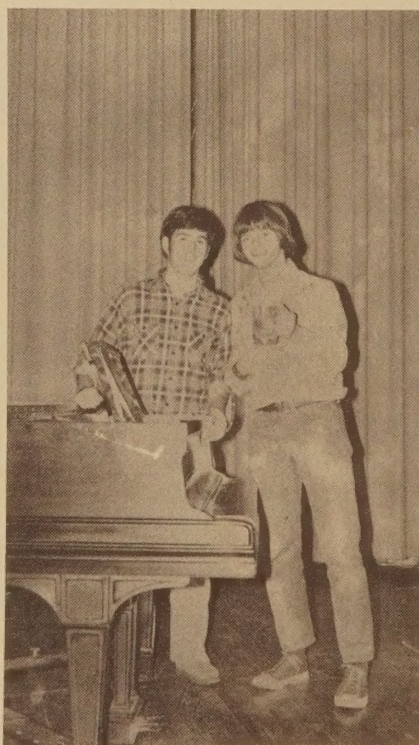
The job of stage hand is not always the most enjoyable, but for Jonathan Schmick and Charles Welch, there is never a dull moment.

For pictures the yearbook depended largely on the efforts of photography editor, Blair Nelsen.

The S.C.A. sponsored student exchanges with other county high schools. Senior Time Winks acts as a host for Highland Springs students.

The Nation's Bicentennial has added meaning for the community as Varina farm was once the home of plantation owner John Rolfe and his wife, Pocahontas.

Seated by the chest donated to the Stoneman Family by the Edgar Allen Poe Family is Mrs. Irene Stoneman, Owner of Varina Farm.





As America steps aside to view the events of the last two hundred years, Varina also has its place in the events of history. Not far from our present community, settlers arrived and established Jamestown. As the settlement began to take root, courageous men dared to venture forth out of the bounds of the settlement and begin their homes elsewhere. Plantations soon sprang up along the banks of the James River. John Rolfe, a famous settler, traveled to Spain where he heard of the tobacco called Varina. He came home with a large amount, and farms of the colony were soon turned into tobacco fields. It quickly became the chief product and export of the colony. Varina received its name from this famous tobacco. Tree Hill Farm and Varina Farm, both still in active existence, were once owned by John Rolfe, where he grew his tobacco with his wife Pocohontas. It was also at Tree Hill Farm that the first horse races in America took place, with the Marquis de Lafayette as a participant.

Malvern Hill, another home in existence during the early years of the community, was used as a headquarters for General Cornwallis of the British Army. Later, as he marched on, Lafayette followed and made Malvern Hill his headquarters.

Varina grew and flourished, as did the small colonies spotted along the coast of the Atlantic. When the Civil War infected the heart of the nation, Varina was there to stand through the trial.

Malvern Hill again became the enemy's headquarters, with federal troops surrounding the area. A major battle took place here with the Confederate Army losing 20,000 men as they blindly raced up the steep hillside to face an awaiting Northern





A wedding in a classroom astonishes Joy Gratz, the bride, but would never have been permitted in any other era. Varina today, a mixture of traditional farming and heavy industry. John Smith's crystal clear James River is now a recreational spot and dumping zone for industrial waste. Located near Sandston, Byrd Airport is a realization of 20th century technology.





Army. At Varina Farm, prisoners were exchanged, and Tree Hill Farm was used as a supply for animals before slaughter by the Confederate Army.

With Varina just east of Richmond, the Confederate capital, hard battles were fought at Fort Harrison to defend the city from the North. Fort Harrison has now become a battlefield park, and thousands of tourists come to Varina to learn of its contributions to the War.

The Industrial Revolution, immigration, and the move from the country to the city all took their toll on the community. Later the depression pinched hard. A new school was built in 1923 in Varina, and many felt the struggle to survive those early years. In 1973 Varina High School was privileged to honor its fiftieth anniversary — fifty years of changing styles and fads, inventions hardly imaginable, the “New Morality,” Jesus Freaks, politicians of every make, and the list continues.

And now as we attempt to celebrate and evaluate our past two hundred years, we must include the present year in our history. Varina was affected by many of the national headlines. Several Vietnamese families found homes in Varina and took an active part in the school and community. An upcoming Presidential election kept government classes on their toes learning the issues and the opinions of the candidates. Those old enough to vote were given a special opportunity to register.

Looking to Varina, students and teachers anticipated a successful educational year, and the community a burst of Bicentennial spirit.





Top to bottom, left to right: Pam Marciniak, Kim Baxter, Paul Cooley, Diane Acors, Tim Mulvin, Rick McGeorge, Joy Gratz, Bucky Dean, Coach Eberly, and Pearl Bean

Mementos & Memorabilia

One hundred and eighty days
A student's world
student's life

Spent
In rooms of blue and gold,
On fields, courts, diamonds, and cinders
Working toward deadlines,
Term papers, club projects,

Apathy reigning
Cheerleaders pleading for support.

Secret societies, campus cliques
Demanding loyalty
Accepting nothing but their own.

Vandalism accepted
respect disappearing.

Student life?

'76 a celebration
of two hundred years
of union.

Varina
fast becoming a
division of 1400.



Organization(?) & Other Feats

Confusion As Always Makes Summer Only A Memory

Returning from a longer-than-usual vacation many Varinians found it hard to settle back into the same old routines. School started after Labor Day allowing us to forget the hot muggy days in August.

The guidance office proved to be bustling the first week or two, as many a bewildering student tried to untangle the piece of computer paper better known as a schedule. Calm soon returned as we were placed in our chosen classes or accepted the fact that we couldn't transfer just because we didn't like the teacher.

Organization was the keyword as classes and clubs prepared for the coming year. Elections were held and goals set. The main question in everyone's mind was how to raise money. Everyone sought unique ideas and plans for future windfalls but found few.

SODA teams began their year with an all day

training session at which we discussed new ideas and implemented coming visits to the elementary schools.

Class rings arrived the week of the State Fair and juniors proudly polished their "Jewels." The familiar plea of "Turn my ring, please!" echoed over the campus, while blisters formed as "77" was reached.

Mug shots, better known as class pictures, were taken at the end of the month, and everyone settled back to hope for a good picture. Added excitement came with the erroneous announcement that, along with our class pictures, we would receive ID cards to be used in purchasing student tickets.

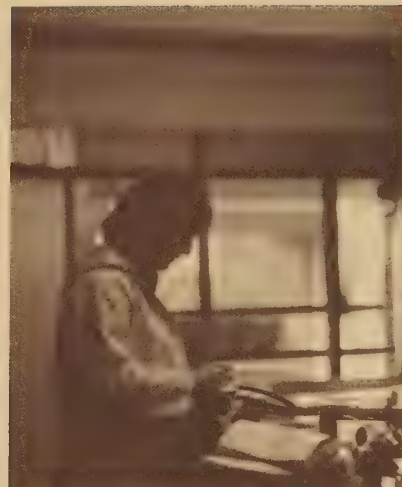
By the thirtieth everyone had at least refamiliarized himself with where he was supposed to be and had made a gallant effort to reinstate learning as an every day affair.



Hear no evil, see no evil, do no evil? Rick McGeorge, Mike Young, and Buddy Martin appear innocent.

Sparkle! Just one word in majorette Debbie Blackwell's vocabulary.

School begins to sink in for Robin Kyle as summer became only a memory.



Bracing herself for the morning, Mrs. Smith gets her notes straight.

Newcomers offer new life, such is the case of Beverly Lewis and Tommy French.



Hot days persisted as everyone settled into the routine that would last at least one hundred and eighty days. That was a fact! Homecoming proved to be the main topic as plans for floats, the bonfire, and the dance wore heavily on minds.

The marching band initiated the month by taking top honors along with a beautiful trophy, at the Tobacco Festival Parade. It was well-deserved, since the band spent every morning on the driving range practicing routines and drills long before there was any other sign of life on campus.

Clubs were in full swing and already making their pitches at fund raising. The Beta Club appealed to the stomachs of all with their bake sale, while the girl's basketball teams sudsed cars clean on Parent Visitation Day.

Fall sports commenced their stretch run, and talk of beginning winter sport's practices was in the back of every athletes mind. The girls' Varsity basketball team finished their season Halloween night with a very discouraging record, while the J.V. ended in the win column. We finally got back on the road to winning in Varsity football under the direction of new head coach, Carl Richards. Cross Country became the first boys sport to have a girl, Debbie Barnes, competing.

Pep rallies were abundant, but student spirit was at its usual low.

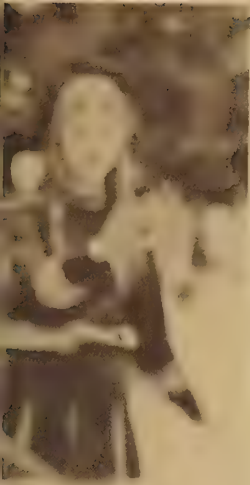
Winding down and ending October, some juniors arrived sleepy-eyed from celebrating after Homecoming, to take PSAT's the next day. Those tests were too early in the morning for most!



It's A Fact . . .

PSAT's Too Early

Hot Days. Pep Rallies. and Trophies



Observing Halloween, Susan Cannon brightens class.

Sweatshirt-sneaker day drew all of Sheri Adams attention.

Adding pep and performing routines are only one of the many talents of flagtwirler Brenda Marshall.

Establishing new friends and investigating different schools are the main points for SCA student exchanges. With Manard Warren is Ray Fields from Highland Springs.





October seemed to be only a twenty-four-hour day lead-up to one event—Homecoming. Excitement rose as float themes were due and classes began the sometimes endless search for a secret hideaway to safely build their entry.

Controversy engulfed the princess nominations. Some senior girls claimed that they did not get a fair shake because they were known by their nicknames, and their given names appeared on the ballot. This caused only a mild uproar, and after some discussion, the original sixteen princesses remained.

The month climaxed the week before homecoming. Cheerleaders announced pep week, and every day was crazy day—hat day, mismatch day, sweatshirt and sneaker day. On Friday everyone celebrated 50's Day with saddle shoes and bobby socks. The week was also devoted to fund raising as the cheerleaders offered links on a class spirit chain for a nickel, and the pep club collected money in class spirit jars, both trying to undermine apathetic feelings and

add to treasuries.

Homecoming night again proved the theory that wet clothes and "funny" crepe paper are an established tradition. Class members prayed the skies would wait until after judging before washing clean their entries. With the opening kickoff came a defensive fumble recovery, resulting in a score from our next play. The added boost of seven points gave us spirit which prevailed as cheers arose each time the Devils had the ball.

At halftime Yvette Howey was crowned queen with Lissie Reid and Susan Cannon as her maids of honor. Receiving the first place float award were the sophomores, and the senior and junior entries were named second and third respectively. All of this occurred between downpours.

An air of victory prevailed, and the gridders survived a second half rally by Matoaca to win 16-14. No rainstorm would have dampened the spirits of the last gun, for the Devils had won their first Homecoming in several years.



Moving forward to victory. Varsity defeats Matoaca 16-14.

Adding finishing touches to the VICA float is Jerry Pendleton

Excitement! Duane Ragsdale singles out Yvette Howey as Homecoming queen.

Lissie Reid is also cheerleader, maid of honor, and captain.



Serving 1974
Homecoming queen
Kathryn Wallo,
crownbearer Denise
Boone and flower
girl Tammy Dowdy

Undampened spirits
helped Susan Cannon
make it through the wet
night.

Memories Relived

Gridders Score Victory

Yvette Howey Crowned Queen

Stage cleaning for
Mildred Holmes.
**Welcome Back
Kotter**, famous with
everybody, the
middle school
assembly was loved
by all.



TOOT. MASH. & Kotter Arrive



The old sing and dance for Becky Dawson and Jennifer Gooch during TOOT.

A jittery solo, but William Dean comes through.

Just clowning around are Meredith Park and Charlotte Herring.

M*A*S*H, a super success, was highlighted by Buddy Martin and Duane Ragsdale

Rain dominated the entrance of November and the thought of leaving class to go outside was almost enough to make us wish that we stayed in one place all day.

The cast of M*A*S*H was in full rehearsal swing by the end of the first week. By opening night, Trapper John (Raymond Smith), Hot Lips (Joy Gratz), and the entire "company" performed brilliantly for a full house. The weeks of sometimes endless practicing, and the days of classes in a daze ended in a splendid presentation and new or closer-knit friendships. To top experiences gained, the drama club added extra to the drama fund for future productions.

Not to be out-done, the band organized their annual TOOT. Talent Of Our Times, a variety of band or band affiliated students, has been the major activity to carry the band money-wise through their year of many commitments. The creativity of the music makers paid off and filled yet another budget.

Money and the need for more was still number 1 in club members' minds. Selling spices added yet

more money to the Drama department fund as members interested in a trip to New York tried to lessen their expenses by selling spice kits. The FBLA remembered that the way to everyone's heart was through their stomach and sold candy bars any time they could find a buyer. Boy, were there buyers!

"Welcome Back Kotter" the number one T.V. show with most students became a skit performed by Middle School students during an assembly just for underclassmen. That assembly was the first in an attempt to slowly separate the Middle School from the Senior High in extra-curricular activities.

In service to the community, many brave seniors closed their eyes and winced as they participated in the Blood Give-In. The orange juice and cookies seemed only a small reward for the "emotional" experience they had been through, but the feeling of doing something good surpassed all queasiness.



WANTED Much Money

Basketball and Concerts

Provide Fun(d)s

"Christmas and nineteen more days 'til vacation" seemed to carry everyone through the month.

Looking ahead to summer camp the football team peddled doughnuts for the extra funds. The coaches planned the ultimate in money making projects. An in-school rock concert with **Joshua** performing.

Plans for the Junior vs. Faculty game were announced, and most juniors were eager to help with the first fund raising project for the prom. The faculty reigned triumphant, but the juniors pocketed over four hundred dollars in needed revenue.

Winter sports make the appearance with high hopes and enthusiasum towards wins and titles! The basketball teams carried on with their expected winning record, while the gymnastics team

hoped for another undefeated season. Soccer 'was also on top with spirit, and many times paddled underneath mud puddles as Coach Brock began to fill awesome places left by graduated seniors.

Not to be out done by anybody, the Fine Arts department presented a Bicentennial Assembly and Program written by Mr. Harris, narrated by Amy Powers, and (included everybody from band and chorus) paid tribute to the Madonna as the climactic ending.

Thoughts were still on "that" Friday, and plans were made for secret forbidden "surprise" parties. When Friday arrived a mood of Halleluia engulfed the campus, and after gift exchanges by closest friends, everyone was off for two weeks of glorious vacation.



Dribbling for a sure two is Mrs. Boone. Carla Griffin and Mrs. Smith follow in close pursuit during the Junior vs. Faculty game.

Joshua proved to be a "buck" for the football team.

Being late for another class doesn't seem to bother Yvonne Morrell at all, since good weather persists.



A perfect Madonna,
Regina Nelson,
participates in the
Bicentennial Christmas
program.

Adding to the success
of the 7th grade
Cotillion are DeeAnn
Connally and David
Austin.

On their return from Christmas holidays, juniors began preparations for the annual Variety Show. The popularity of the event provided more than adequate funds to the treasury for the Prom.

Christmas revelries faded away as exams became a truly haunting reality. By the end of January, first semester would become a memory mainly of sleepless nights cramming for exams. Middle-of-the-month-blahs doubled the nightmarish effect as teachers braced us for the exams. By the end of the month, first semester had ended, bringing the realization of only ninety days to go.

Teachers had a day all to themselves, but not for fun; that was left to students. The workday set aside after exams was used by the indoor track team to raise money for new uniforms and such. Luckily, the day was

warm, and many teachers took advantage of the car wash.

Band members who made All-Regional Band prepared themselves for the week-end of music. This highly selective band opportunity was held here the last week-end of January. Friday, the first day, marked an enlarged campus enrollment as members from all over the region arrived. The week-end was highlighted on Sunday with a concert by the Symphonic Band.

All hope for snow faded as January ended in glorious spring-like weather. Evidence of spring fever was everywhere, with the excitement a campus-style school exerts in beautiful weather.

Graduation popped into focus as future graduates ordered caps and gowns. L-2 bustled with excitement as seniors were measured for their precious apparel.



Cash On Hand For Juniors



First Runner-up in the Miss Richmond pageant, Melissa Grady displayed why.

Last minute details are discussed by M. C. Dan Cameron and Sponsor Gary Stauffer.



Tired desperation is evident as Variety Show director Becky Dawson watches another act.

Always popular, "Tapestry" is sung by Regina Young.

By far the funniest, Becky and Dawn Atkins attempt Swan Lake.



Sprucing, painting, and repairing brought county workmen to the campus in an all-out attempt to beautify the surroundings for the state evaluators. Every room received a new coat of paint and little trouble spots were repaired around campus.

By the time evaluation arrived, everyone had been primed in what to do, how to do it, and why to do it. We easily understood why evaluation came but once every ten years.

Through all of the hard work on everyone's part, Varina easily renewed its accreditation.

Finally after a series of cancellations and procrastinations on the part of the yearbook staff, the annual slide show was presented. Informing students of price changes and the new system of selling books was the staff's main objective, but as always the slides stole the show. Depicting school life, each slide was set to music completely opposite of the action in the slide. This system appealed to all and, as in years past, provided the school with the funniest assembly possible.

The drama people, at their normal racing pace, prepared for yet another of many productions. February brought tense rehearsals for the One-Acts. "Ile" was chosen for district competition and practically every night turned into rehearsals for the seven member cast. Any drama member not in the cast busied himself planning for the contest held at Varina. "Ile" itself won a superior district rating and continued to regionals and state.

Drastically different from the past, February gave no one a chance to catch his breath, and March was forecast to be even worse.



Wedding Bells Ring

The groom, Rick McGeorge, undaunted by all the commotion, awaits the honeymoon

Preparing for Regional competition, Jimmy Barden and Duane Ragsdale add last minute touches while Becky Dawson, R. L. Rowsey, and Regina Nelson add approval.



Nervously awaiting
"that moment," Joy
Gratz checks her
dress during the
mock wedding.

Forensic workshop
draws Albert Wood,
George Shaw,
Patrice Altman,
Tommy Felts,
Regina Nelson,
Tracy Doub, and
Joy Gratz.

After-school
activity parties
were always "on"
and Patrice Altman
was easily the best
record-player a-
round.



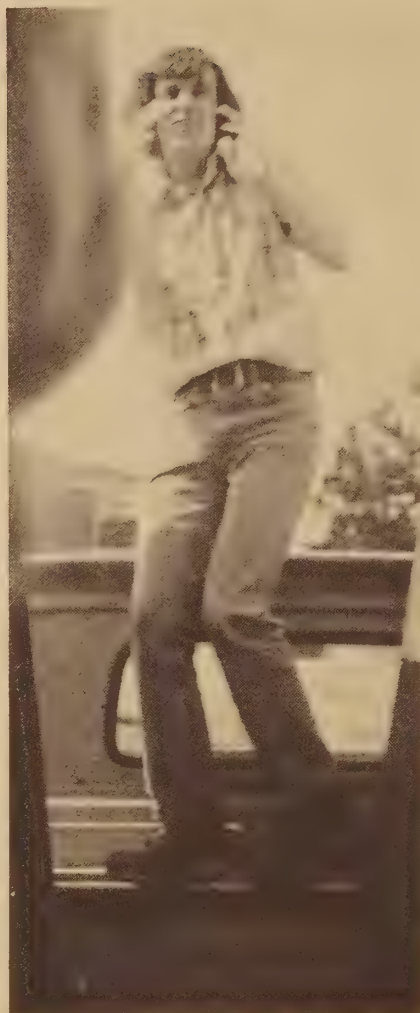
Windy Airiations

March came in with little or no applause. The long-awaited snow failed to cover more than one inch, disappointing all winter-loving Varinians. As a further letdown to the "snow bears," temperatures fluctuated from sub-tropic (when Richmond made the national news for two days as the mercury hit 96, and we were the hottest spot in the country) to arctic degrees. Along with these fluctuations came the usual unwanted runny nose and scratchy throat.

As a follow-up to the Winter Carnival of '74, the SCA planned a carnival for the spring. Information was distributed, and

participants solicited. As if worried about an epidemic, no organizations expressed any desire to participate. With the usual Varina fervor, the carnival faded into non-existence.

Despite these unfortunate occurrences, March provided some positive happenings. "Ile," the one-act play, was presented. This play brought recognition home, as it won numerous awards. Followed quickly by try-outs for "Little Mary Sunshine," performers had no time to rest from past performances. With the cast selected, rehearsals began. April loomed ever nearer as March wore itself out.



Best mascot around! Future Varinian and Coach Clabough's son Casey knows Devils are the best.

Frequenting the dump after many SCA occasions, president Ray Blunt does his stuff.

Kidnapped by the annual staff, Ray Blunt gladly draws another Student Life blackline picture.



State Forensics
finalists are Amy Powers, and Duane Ragsdale.
Perfecting his game, Steve Vaughn works toward a Varsity tennis career.



Forgetting ourselves and academics proved the downfall of many Varinians in April. Sports capitalized on all athletes' time as baseball, track, and tennis seasons headed for district confrontations. The musical, "Little Mary Sunshine," provided many sleepless nights and excuses for procrastination to teachers.

The game of the century, as it was billed, between the junior and senior girls turned into a free-for-all. What began as a football game ended in bruises, scrapes, and a broken jaw because of lack of officiating by senior referees. A strip tease act by junior cheerleader Mark Renick provided some amusement for the apathetic crowd.

During Easter vacation, the DECA club provided

students an opportunity "to dance for those who can't" at a dance marathon. All proceeds from the dance went to the MD Foundation.

Cheerleader tryouts created less excitement than in the past. The student body showed little concern for the traditional tensions of the selections, and, but for the announcement of the new squad, the whole event would have passed unnoticed.

Musicals, fast becoming a tradition in spring productions, brought "Little Mary Sunshine" and with it all the problems and nerves that attend major undertakings. As April drew to a close, polishing touches were added, and when the month ended, "Little Mary," as it was known, testified to the success everyone hoped it would be.



Major Productions On Tap



After receiving instructions, Lynn Chandler, Debbie Barnes, and Teresa Hicks try again. A forest ranger's hat must be a quarter of an inch to the left," explains R. L. Rowsey as Garry Brown submits to inspection.

A break before the big scene! Carol Brown relaxes as "Little Mary Sunshine" becomes a success. Billed as the massacre of the century, junior and senior girls battle to a tie.



Never Settled Down

Just as students and teachers began to drag their heels as they anxiously awaited the end of school, May arrived to keep all jumping.

The National Honor Society, Beta Club, and Thespian Society all hurriedly finished planning for their end-of-the-year tappings. Teacher committees chose those who had the outstanding characteristics needed to be accepted into the honorary groups.

The Chorus and Band worked diligently to display their usual excellence in separate spring concerts. A special program was prepared by the chorus with the theme "Jonathan Livingston Seagull." The whole affair was done as a tribute to the senior class.

Varina was represented by Amy Powers and Ray Blunt in the 1976 All-State

Chorus. This big event was held at Hampton High School with the conductor of the U.S. Army Chorus as the director. With many hours of singing, few hours of sleep, and a few more friends under their hats, both came home eager to share the experience.

Juniors and seniors eagerly prepared for that high school highlight — the Prom. Girls started early in the day to curl hair and paint fingernails as boys polished the family car and checked on dinner reservations. Parents were a little lenient and extended curfew so couples could taste a small bit of maturity and "the night life" on this memorable evening. With the theme "Stairway to Heaven," couples came excited but left on cloud nine, and Prom '76 was a thrill for all.



Nerves are always present, even for Rboin Melvin, Robbin Mobley, Tami Baxter, Garry Dunn, Kay Downs, and Lori Clay. Always where the food is, Becky Dawson tests the cheese ball. "Measles vaccines aren't all they're cracked up to be," testifies Brenda Wilson.



During the SODA tapping Kathy Potter initiates Carol Brown with a carnation.
An angel, Terry Satterwhite, helps the juniors as a prom server.





Juniors started preparations months in advance to all them the needed afternoon and evening hours to put together a memorable prom. They made plans and the road to production looked good. The class formed committees, asked tenth graders to serve, and chose the theme, "Stairway to Heaven." As usual, a few screws were thrown into the works and the road ahead began to get narrow and scary. Fire marshalls entered the scene and insisted everything be fireproof. Juniors pulled together and bought fireproof crepe paper and paint. Hours passed infinitely as stars were covered with aluminum foil and backdrops were made for the foyer and ceiling. Problems became old hat, and juniors worked together long hours to

complete as much as possible. With only two weeks until the big event, juniors stayed every afternoon and into the wee hours.

The day of the prom arrived, and gentlemen picked up tuxedos as girls hurried to add that extra sparkle to their smiles.

The gymnasium had been transfigured and the efforts of the junior class were on proud display. Music by "Passage" satisfied the crowd as parents trickled in and out awaiting the traditional senior figure. Junior Class President Jimmy Barden welcomed the class of '76 and parents. Senior Class President Mike Young gratefully accepted the evening for class members. Hours of work came to a fast close, but those in attendance would not soon forget the "Stairway to Heaven."



Nothing but great comments for "Passage," the prom band! Tasting the "champagne," Kim Vick and her guest enjoy the evening. Heaven for Dwight Hinceman. Watching the fountain, Tami Baxter remembers the hard work while Buddy Martin enjoys.



Angels: Phyllis Nelson, Bert Hazelwood, Barry Ziegler, Paula McGhee, Terry Satterwhite, Johnny Shomaker, Kay Trickey, Mary Reynolds, Janet Madison, Vickie Brown, and Mark Gooch.

Our sponsor Coach Dunaway and Mrs. Dunaway.

Stairway To Heaven



The few remaining days of school proceeded in the normal chaotic fashion as happens every June. Junior and senior girls and guys made a final dash to the nearby shopping center to find a new white shirt or a white dress for the traditional Class Day assembly. All managed somehow to find the perfect style and fit for the awards assembly held on the first day of the month. Many seniors received special recognitions and honors for outstanding leadership and service during their years at Varina, and underclassmen who had excelled in academics also received recognition.

Final plans for the class picnic and picture-taking came to a close. Seniors loaded into autos of every description to make the trip to Lake Reynovia in Charlottesville. With the weather on their side, they came home sunburned and tired but nevertheless contented.

That final minute to cram for exams came too quickly, with procrastinating students suffering again. Seniors did not manage to be totally exempt from exams. Because of a ruling by the county school board, seniors also had to endure this dreaded experience. With one advantage on their side, seniors took exams early to allow teachers a

reasonable time to grade them.

Administrators organized work forces for end-of-the-year tasks as restricted students hauled books to the bookroom, cleaned out desks, and washed boards. With the organization of the teachers and the manual labor of students, every article found its proper place.

Nine o'clock practices for baccalaureate and graduation began to take place, and the realization of "the end" hit many unsuspecting seniors. They shed tears and strengthened friendships to last five years until the class reunion.

A long-awaited day for many, June 10, slowly emerged. Hours before the appointed time, cars crowded into the parking lot and seniors straightened their caps and gowns to look fairly dignified. No matter how strong seniors attempted to be, last-minute feelings surfaced as they shared emotions. Line up, march in, receive diploma, and march out—for some an anti-climax but for others an important stepping stone in life. As families proudly left the stadium, the custodial staff dependably stayed behind to clean up scattered debris and lock the gates on another successful school year.



The American Legion Citizenship Award is presented to William Dixon Martin, good ole Buddy, and Susan Young. **With Class Day over**, Raymond Smith and Waldlena James cruise into exams.



In honor of seniors, the scholarship donors stand during the processional. The realization of finality finally hits Christi Bridgers. Last Minute touches are added to Vickie Strickler by a good friend as Trudie Slaughter comments.

Sorrow and Happiness Highlight Ceremonies



Upper: Regina Nelson, David Rutledge, Susan Cook, and New York guide. Left: Yvonne Morrell, Dawn Marshall. Upper right: Chris Martin, Chuck Watson. Lower right: Tracy Doub, Patrice Altman, Albert Wood, Joy Gratz, Tommy Felts, Regina Nelson. Center: Cheryl Jones, Donna Kichta, Jerry Shufflebarger, Linda Walker, and Mary Taylor. Next page: Buddy Martin.

The Arts



Buddy Martin

The Arts
of living, working, caring
Needed
Cherished as a point of growth
Actors, craftsmen, geniuses
working toward personal achievement
200 years to perfection
our lives to reach that point
Classes of every topic imaginable
imaginations to be tapped fill them
Challenges:
not always given
not always met
Self-Evaluation
Where to go, what is needed
School Evaluation
abilities tested
curriculum met
People molded by choice in thinking
interested individuals.

FINE ARTS





Little Bit Of Everything

Paint, pottery, and macrame gave Varinians much in the way of pleasure. Art classes were not for just the gifted but offered a wide variety of activities for anyone willing to work.

Multicolored mod art highlighted both Miss McCouch's room and the room in G building. The colors were bright, and any student passing by had his spirits lifted by just peeking in.

All students worked diligently on projects throughout the year in order that they might be entered in the Festival of Arts and Technology. Each one's hard work paid off when many won awards for their artistic talent.

For Ray Blunt and Wanda Bowery, their achievements were acclaimed at Class Day when they tied for highest average.

Putting thoughts on paper are Charlotte Bohr and Denise Boone.

Ginny McGee concentrates on getting every side perfect.

Yards of strings make pretty designs for Kathy Freeburger.



Teddy Bears are popular as projects for first year art students.



Behind the scenes always, art club members made most of the drama production props.



Intricate work made easy by Alfredo Sabator.



Observing the proper way, Mike Young takes a lesson from Miss McCouch.



Multi-Color Madness

Club Excels In Helping

Unknown to many students, the Art Club was especially helpful in behind-the-scenes preparations for many drama productions and other school functions.

Among many of their projects, the club designed and built the three-way screen used in the slide show for the state evaluators. The club also designed and painted much of the scenery used in "M*A*S*H" and "Little Mary Sunshine." Not only did they construct the scenery but most members worked backstage during the production.

Club members worked hard in other art related projects through clubs by designing posters, scrapbooks, and program covers.

Led by Susan Kesler, the Art Club performed many tasks that went virtually unnoticed by everyone but the performers.



Art Club: Ray Blunt, Ricky Brooks, Sandy Carlisle, Debbie Clayton, Kathy Cooke, Jenifer Davis, Tracy Doub, Wayne Dowdy, Chris Durgin, Mike Eckel, Richard Goergner, Alicia Goodrich, Kathy Guard, Barbara Hill, Joe Inge, Sheila Johnson, Barbi Jones, Cheryl Jordon, Susan Kesler, Kathy Lamb, Debbie Lanning, Gordon Messer, David Noble, Kathy O'Brien, Tammy Roberts, Brenda Toler, Patricia Watkins, Valerie Watkins, Betty Wells, Linda White, Malinda Wilkerson, Cindy Williamson, Brenda Wilson, Tom Young, Mike Young



MARCHING BAND

Theresa Major, Drum Major

First row: Bill Nelson, Leslie Altman, Dawn Marshall, LeeAnne Robbins, Jonathan Schmick, Travis Wood; second row: Sam Smalls, Susan Young, Kathleen Stevens, Ellen Rose, Mildred Holmes, Donald Sweeny; third row: Dale McDonough, Edward Atkins, Sharon Crawford, Janet Madison, Erin Park, Kim Baxter, Charlotte Herring; fourth row: Cheryl Harding, Ann Wilson, Regina Nelson, Yvonne Morrell, Jennifer Gooch, Kitty Brandon; fifth row: Phyllis Nelson, Diane Marshall, Chuck Wagner, Patrice Altman, Robbie Brandon, Albert Wood, Lisa Walker, Meredith Parks; sixth row: Beth Gooch, Steve Smith, Charles Welch, Charles Schesventer, Lawrence Sneade, Janet Major, Joyce Conway, Paul Mutlins, Bobby Hughes; seventh row: Danny Duke, Pat Mooney, Tim Mulvin, Becky Dawson, Billy Dowdy, Kenny Blunt, Tony Henriques, Mike Madison, Mitch Thimsen

Awards For Many

1st Tobacco Parade Flag Raising Regionals

The band marched to victory in the Tobacco Festival Parade, bringing home a first in spite of rain which dampened the spirits of many. Hard work made TOOT (Talent of Our Times) very special, and the band brought in needed financial aid. Regional Band proved very exciting for veterans

as well as for newcomers. Tryouts tested many hopeful students' talents, and those who did not win a seat in Concert or Symphonic Band have next year to try.

POP, a talent show given by the parents of the band, gave students the opportunity to learn of their parents' real nature. Parents' portrayal of Big Bird and other characters brought many laughs.

Varina was represented by many students at Solo and Ensemble. Solos and other ensembles were performed for a judge's grade as well as for personal satisfaction.

The band played for the raising of the new American flag at the Varina Public Library and the unveiling of a stone statue to be placed in St. John's Catholic Church. These were two of the many services the band performed for the community.



The Brandon Quartet display their talents: Bobbie, Joyce, Kitty, and David.
At home with her drums is Dawn Marshall.
Taking care of the sound system during TOOT is Pat Mooney.
With confidence and ease Mitch Thimsen captures the audience's attention.



Left to right: Paula McGhee, DeeDee Yates, Rhonda Tyler, Robin Hampton, Judy Ragsdale, Debbie Blackwell, and Tina Purks.

Flagtwirler captain Jill Johnston ready to perform.

Fire and wind do not mix, as Paula McGhee will testify.

A nervous smile from Tricia Martin.



Majorettes: 1 to r. Paula McGhee, Deedee Yates, Rhonda Tyler, Robin Hampton, capt., Judy Ragsdale, Debbie Blackwell, and Tine Purks.



Flash, Dazzle, Perfection!

Known as the band front, the majorettes and flagtwirlers are always known for their flashy smiles and dazzling uniforms, but they are really a group of dedicated precision performers.

Working together the whole summer, both groups perfected new routines and established new friendships. Also, the squads elected the captains and co-captains who would lead them during marching season.

The flagtwirlers, led by captain Jill Johnston and co-captain Brenda Marshall, received numerous recognitions for their well-performed routines at half-time during football games. The group, sponsored by Mrs. Brown, also got new uniforms to add to their other ones.

The majorettes were always a highlight at home football games as well as at parades, with their perfect routines and happy moods. Led by Robin Hampton and sponsored by Mr. Altman, the group was a major part of the number one band.

Pep Club: Sherry Adams, Pearl Beane, Sherry Berlinghoff, Richard Brooks, Tina Brooks, Darlene Cannada, Brenda Colgin, Tracy Doub, Martie Dyer, Lee Dyer, Peggy Ellis, Brenda Gilliam, Larry Hagy, Robin Hampton, Karen Jenness, Tina Johnson, Susan Kesler, Sandra Locks, Karen Marciniak, Robin Mayes, Bob Melvin, Robin Melvin, Donna Miller, Vicki Miller, Robin Mobley, Donna Moseley, Kathy Potter, Melissa Ragsdale, Linda Ramey, Patty Ricker, Lee Anne Robbins, Pam Salman, Cindy Smith, Cindy Turik, Cathy Tolley, Donna Walton, Beverly Wright.



Touches Of Pep & Color

Adding color and informing spectators of who the band was kept the color guard and letter girls busy throughout marching season. The six girls chosen for the honor worked all summer with the rest of the band front to perfect routines needed for the fall. With each practice came expectations of cold nights and long parades.

During football season the color guard was responsible for presenting the "colors" before each home football game. The girls carried tobacco leaves spelling Varina at the parades: the tobacco leaves because Varina is a kind of tobacco for which the area was named. Thus the sponsors felt it fitting to portray Varina.

Hard at work behind the scenes, the Pep Club spent the year trying to invent new ways to raise apathetic crowds to spirited peaks. Working with only a few loyal members, the club sponsored spirit contests, performed skits at pep rallies, and painted the bleachers before baseball season. LeeAnne Robbins led the club members, who worked diligently to attempt to find some spirit in an increasingly apathetic school.



Honor performance by the honor guard.

Smiling with ease are Rhonda Tyler and Deedee Yates as they entertain another home crowd.



And All That Jazz

The choral center under the able guidance of Mrs. Ann Porter buzzed with activity from day one until June Tenth. Concerts in churches and community clubs kept the groups busy outside of class. School time was spent on preparation for the fast approaching Christmas program.

A "Bicentennial Presentation of Christmas" was prepared with narration by the Fine Arts Department. The choral department spent many hours preparing songs and assigning narrative parts for the play.

The Vocal Ensemble branched off to form another group called Madrigal Singers. This group prepared only A Cappella selections. Both groups sang at the District festival and rated superior alongside other area high schools.

Another new group added to the scene was the first Middle School chorus. This group, along with the Mixed Chorus, was very busy learning the fundamentals of choral music. Both looked to be a promising investment for the future of the department.

Members of the Vocal Ensemble had the privilege of attending All-County Chorus, while more advanced students were able to go on further to Regional Choir. At Regional Choir, auditions were held for the 1976 All-Virginia Chorus. Two Varinians, Amy Powers and Ray Blunt were chosen to participate in this select group.



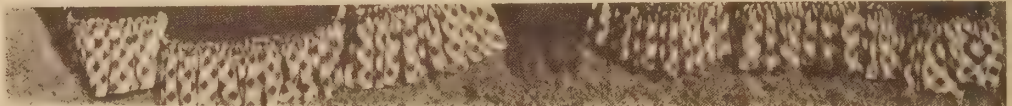
Madrigal singers: Becky Dawson, Carl Brown, Amy Powers, and Ray Blunt.



Amy Powers



Vocal Ensemble: l to r. Sheila Johnson, Deedee Yates, Kitty Sanderlin, Susan Sanford, Robin Melvin, Robbin Mobley, 2nd; Carol Brown, Amy Powers, David Rutledge, Susan Cook, Charlie Schesventor, Tami Baxter, Garry Dunn, 3rd; Raymond Smith, Marsha Jones, R. L. Rowsey, Becky Dawson, Ray Blunt, Lori Clay, Buddy Martin

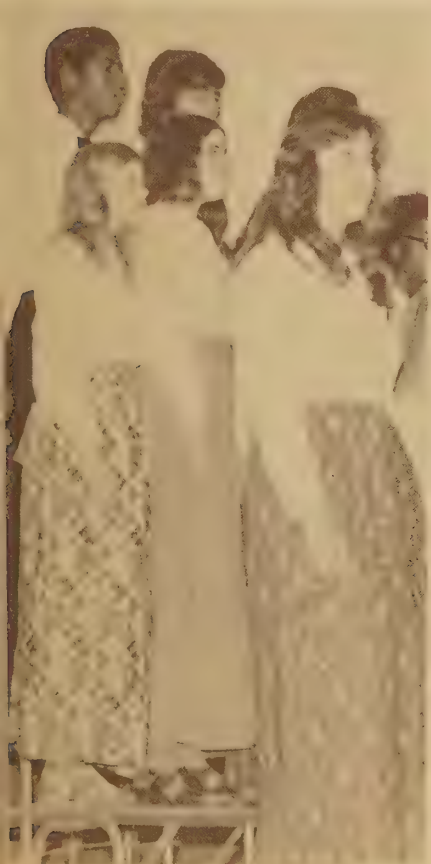




Awaiting his moment of truth, Raymond Smith pauses during the Senior Tribute.

Aiding in many concerts, Ann Canfield is at home at the piano.

The Mixed Chorus; Regina Young, Debbie Weigl, and Jeff Wright.





THESPIAN AWARDS

Best Thespians	Duane Ragsdale, Regina Nelson
Best All Around	Ray Blunt
Best Actor, Actress	Duane Ragsdale, Amy Powers
Best Technician	Lawrence Collins
Best Underclassman	Raymond Smith
Thespians Scholarship	Ray Blunt

Preparing for the Regional One-Act Play Festival are Raymond Smith, Tommy Felts, R. L. Rowsey, Joy Gratz, Regina Nelson, and Buddy Martin.

Work In Many Aspects



Lighting a candle in preparation to the Thespian induction is Brenda Marshall.



Participants of Regional Forensics were Amy Powers, Duane Ragsdale, Becky Dawson, R. L. Rowsey, Regina Nelson, and James Barden.



DRAMA CLUB members: Patrice Altman, Jimmy Barden, Carter Beattie, Belinda Brizendine, Ray Blunt, Garry Dunn, Lee Dyer, Joy Gratz, Tracy Hardisty, Stephanie Higgins, Buddy Martin, Tim Martin, Brenda Marshall, Janet Major, Robin Mays, Patti Mayes, Bonnie Prillaman, Bobbie Sandford, George Shaw, Kay Trickey, Sandra Young.



THESPIAN SOCIETY: Patrice Altman, Carter Beattie, Ray Blunt, Belinda Brizendine, Ben Brooks, Becky Dawson, Garry Dunn, Ernest Estes, Clayson Guard, John Henderson, Tracy Kesler, Brenda Marshall, Buddy Martin, Blair Nelson, Amy Powers, Duane Ragsdale, George Shaw, Raymond Smith.

Brilliant performances by actors and actresses alike culminated in an exciting year of theatrics at Varina. Led by a veteran group of performers, the Thespian Society, theater reached a new height. Thespians showed their outstanding abilities as they starred in the comedy hit M*A*S*H, the "Bicentennial Christmas" play, "Ile," and "Little Mary Sunshine."

As the acting season drew to a close, Thespians turned away from performances to acts of recognition. New members were tapped into the society, and awards were bestowed upon deserving members.

Drama Club, again an active force in stage productions, found itself infiltrated by ever enthusiastic Thespians. Eager not to be outdone, younger actors put their best efforts alongside those of the veterans. This combination of talents provided for a superb season of theater. Comedies, salutes to America's heritage, and musicals were among the top ticket-sellers in a year abundant with great productions.

An ever important part of theater, the backstage crews provided the necessary lift for onstage performers. Without these unseen troupers, productions of the caliber seen at Varina would be impossible. As proof of the importance of these crew members, many technicians were invited to become Thespians. These people, along with great actors, enable the one-act "Ile" to attain a superior rating in district competition and an excellent rating at regionals.



Jefferson's children, Anthony French and others entertain Tom, played by Ben Brooks.

Listening for the other team's plans, Radar Albert Wood shares his knowledge with his team.



Showing an act of kindness, Bruce McGeorge comfort Stephanie Higgins.

Fainting from relief, Belinda Brizendine is aided by Ray Blunt.



Lights! Merc! Action!

Excellent Theatre Season

$\frac{c}{o}$ Troupes

Drama production was well underway by the second week of school, and many Varinians picked up the hectic routine of actors that was sure to last the entire year. The work on M*A*S*H in the fall, Christmas Bicentennial Play in the winter, and the musical "Little Mary Sunshine" during the spring kept actors and technicians alike busy every month.

M*A*S*H

Hot Lips: Joy Gratz

Major Burns: Blair Nelsen

Hawkeye: Duane Ragsdale

Trapper John: Raymond Smith

Duke: Buddy Martin

Col. Blake: Ray Blunt

Father McCahey: Jay Ellis

Radar: Albert Wood

Bicentennial Play:

Narrator: Amy Powers

Madonna: Regina Nelson

Ben Franklin: Tim Winks

Tom Jefferson: Ben Brooks

Mrs. Jefferson: Patrice Altman

John Adams: Tim Mulvin

Little Mary Sunshine:

Little Mary: Patrice Altman

Jim Warrington: Duane

Ragsdale

Nancy Twinkle: Tami Baxter


Billy Jester: Ray Blunt

Oscar: Buddy Martin


Yellow Feather: Tommy Felts

Fleetfoot: George Shaw

Ernestine: Amy Powers

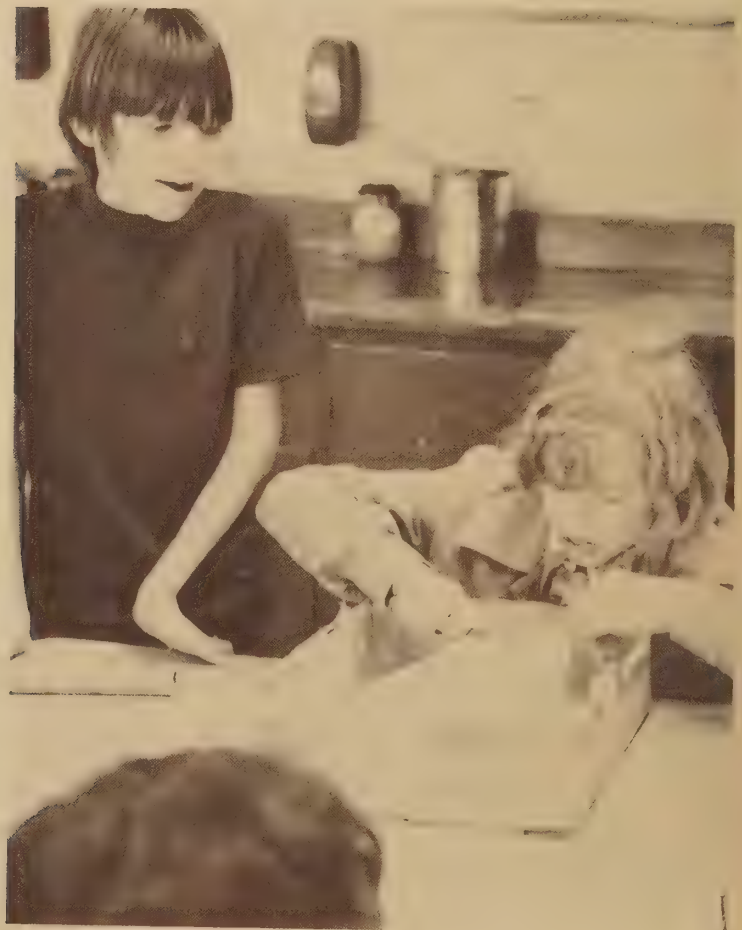


Looking over last minute details, Lawrence Collins, Bobby Sandford, and George Shaw try to anticipate possible foul-ups.



Harmonizing, Patrice Altman and Forest Rangers Carol Brown, Garry Dunn, Raymond Smith, R. L. Rowsey, Albert Wood, Ray Blunt, and Jimmy Barden strike up a tune.

LIBERAL ARTS



Cultural Attempts

Establishing a mini-theater in the auditorium seemed to be the major goal of the English Department. Once each semester, the department presented a major movie: "Little Big Man" first and "Cool Hand Luke" second. All senior high students had the chance to view the film for a nominal fee.

Mini courses offered a wide variety of subjects to keep the pickiest student happy, BUT only after meeting required courses. Every student had to take R.S.V.P. (Reading, Spelling, Vocabulary, and Punctuation) the first nine weeks to improve skills that tests show we lack.

A big first was the formation of a Forensics team. Consisting of eight members, the team performed remarkably well, sending five members, Amy Powers, Duane Ragsdale, R.L. Rowsey, Jimmy Barden and Regina Nelson, to Regionals. Of the five, Duane Ragsdale and Amy Powers won trips to State competition where Amy placed third in Female Prose Reading.

English rap sessions or gossip! Mini-courses were usually the best especially for Kathleen Stevens, Jeff Pettiford, Lee Wilson, and Barbara Hill



Time-out from hectic aid work as Mike Madison relaxes in Mrs. Mark's office. Attentively, Mildred Holmes attempts American Lit.



Dances, Songs, & Skits

Banquet A Success

When asked about any of the foreign languages available, a student will quickly state that foreign languages are not easy. The three languages offered at Varina, Latin, Spanish, and French, test every student in one way or another. Spanish and French are taught by formal method of learning vocabulary lists, while Latin is taught by learning basic sentences, usually Roman philosophy, and applying this to vocabulary and sentence structure.

The Foreign Cultures Club was available to every student enrolled in foreign language. The club remained active throughout the year, but particularly so late in the spring when the club sponsored a banquet. The students prepared and served dishes of different countries. The Latin students presented entertainment by way of a play. The play, a take-off on the Ides of March, was also presented at the Festival of Arts and Technology along with a musical presentation by Spanish students. With an even larger enrollment in foreign language next year, the club should be even more noticeable around campus.



Excitement and flare entered Miss Sommerville's year.



This singing trio, Tony Henriques, Robin King, and Kathy Brittle accompanied the rest of the group.



Singing by Betty Dunn, Mary Taylor, Janet Madison, Ray Blunt, Tommy Felts, Donald Sweeney, Tim Mulvin, and Mike Madison topped off the evening.



Foreign Cultures Club

First Row: Ted Helmick, Karol Akers, Meredith Park, Theresa Hooper, Mrs. Sommerville. Second Row: Becky Zuraw, Eva West, Dawn Atkins, Melissa Grady, Susan Cook, Sharon Skinner, Vicki Brown. Third Row: Kathleen Stevens, Betty Dunn, Tracy Hardisty, Patti Mayes, Ray Blunt. Fourth Row: Vicki Johnson, Kathy Potter, Scott Copeland, Laurie Rice, Sandra Young, Beatriz Alvez. Fifth Row: Mary Taylor, Mary Reynolds, Ginny McGee, Marsha Jones, Elizabeth Wolpert, Robin King. Sixth Row: Larry Preston, Burt Hazelwood, Mark Gooch, Charles Welch, Mark Walker, Tony Henriques, Mike Madison, Kevin Canfield



Watching patiently, Becky Zuraw waits patiently for Mark Gooch in his last dying moments.

Enjoying a tidbit of another nation, Burt Hazelwood indulges.



Cleopatra, Phyllis Nelson, performs at the Foreign Cultures Club banquet.



Leadership, Service, and Honor

Recognition for academic and extra-curricular excellence came in the form of National Honor Society and Beta Club tappings. Both tappings were held in May during impressive ceremonies.

The Beta Club initiated 27 juniors and seniors into their organization. Those students qualified after the grade point average had been established at a higher 3.6. During the year Beta members held bake sales and a car wash to raise money for their scholarship. At graduation Elizabeth Wolpert was awarded the honor voted on by fellow members.

NHS

James Barden
Tami Baxter
Ray Blunt
Kathy Brittle
Susan Cannon
Becky Dawson
Warren Doub
Martie Dyer
Beth Gooch
Kim Gooch
Tony Henriques
Mirsha Jones
Robin King
Brenda Marshall
Buddy Martin
Yvonne Morrell
Blair Nelsen
Regina Nelson
Amy Powers
Judy Ragsdale
Charlotte Reynolds
Charles Schesventer
Jonathan Schmick
Patricia Shumaker
Donna Smith
Kathryn Tolley
Eva West

BETA

Diane Acors	Ellen Nilsen
Lyne Aigner	Rebecca Noble
Dawn Atkins	Amy Powers
Joyce Barbour	Judy Ragsdale
Tami Baxter	Lissie Reid
Wanda Bowery	Charlotte Reynolds
Kathy Brittle	Linda Rice
Susan Cannon	Ellen Rose
Tommy Critz	David Rutledge
Becky Dawson	Ronnie Saunders
Carolyn Duckworth	Charles Schesventer
Martie Dyer	Jonathan Schmick
Joy Elliot	Patty Shumaker
Peggy Ellis	Christi Stegner
Rhonda Fleming	Mark Sykes
Beth Gooch	Kathy Tolley
Kim Gooch	Karen Uzel
Karen Goode	Sharon Uzel
Melissa Grady	Burney Waring
Tina Johnson	Tim Winter
Kenneth Holley	Elizabeth Wolpert
Robin King	Travis Wood
Brenda Marshall	Jeri Wright
Buddy Martin	Susan Young
Donna Miller	
Robin Melton	
Yvonne Morrell	
Blair Nelsen	



NHS, easily the most coveted and strictest honor, tapped ten juniors and nine seniors in ceremonies held at the end of May. The National Honor Society is based on high academic achievement, but its main purpose is to honor those students who have shown leadership in school and community activities. NHS members sold doughnuts a couple of months during the winter to raise money for their scholarship, and graduation night Kathy Tolley received the William H. Ferguson scholarship.



Blair Nelsen, National Honor Society president



Charlotte Reynolds, Beta Club president



Our Group, clockwise, Mrs. Mistr, Carter Beattie, Patrice Altman, Amy Powers, and Regina Nelson.





Sure!

Late yearbook arrivals and student anxiety helped make the beginning of a new year extremely uncomfortable for Varinian staff members. After days of worry and sweat on the part of staff members, the yearbooks arrived with much fanfare. This obstacle behind them, the staff settled down to some honest work with modest rewards.

Led by sponsors Virginia Mistr and Bettye Ward, Production Editor Amy Powers and Photography Editor Blair Nelsen set out to handle their respective assignments. Production went well, with all staff members working selflessly. Photography started out slowly, with much time spent in the planning stage. While Blair was at the General Assembly, George Shaw capably handled photography. Blair returned, and all photographers tightened their belts for a hectic spring.

New staff members quickly learned that yearbook production was harder than it seemed. Taught by Layout Editor Martie Dyer, new staffers sought to absorb as much knowledge as possible. Work went quickly, and promising new members became experienced journalists.

True Staffers, clockwise, Blair Nelsen, Scott Metheny, Sandra Young, Jimmy Taylor, Mrs Ward, Beth Gooch, and Ann Canfield.



Another deadline is well on the way to being completed as Kevin Canfield turns copy over to Mark Gooch.



Paradox editor Poogie Richardson supervises work.



Devil's Advocate editor Tim Winks writes another of his famous editorials.



Devil's Advocate staff: Tim Winks, Larry Preston, Mark Gooch, Jeff Draine, Johnny Shomaker, Kevin Canfield, Burt Hazelwood, Marsha Jones, Lisa Shearin, Judy Ragsdale, Johnny Ragsdale, Danny Ramsey, Mr. Brock.



Paradox Staff: Karen Goode, Betty Wells, Debbie Barnes, Vickie Knight, Mary Anne Davis, Pam Marchiniak, Kitty Brandon, Tina Brooks, Ricky Brooks, R. L. Rowsey, Mrs. Higgins.

That's News

DA On Schedule

Paradox Under New Leadership

Literary works for the first time in a couple of years were back on regular production schedules.

The "Paradox," the school magazine, was at its usual need for student contributions but survived and produced another outstanding edition. The staff was sponsored by Mrs. Higgins, new since Mrs. Ward jumped to yearbook co-sponsor. Poogie Richardson was editor and led the staff very capably in fulfilling all obligations.

The biggest news item was not in the school newspaper but that the "Devil's Advocate" was again a bi-monthly edition printed bi-monthly! Led by editor Tim Winks and sponsor Mr. Brock, the newspaper staff wrote on relevant issues and became well-known for its all-out attacks on the SCA. The newspaper at year's end presented the first annual journalism award to Judy Ragsdale for her work as editor of the special features section.



Leisurely enjoying the project cooked by Vietnamese students, Sam Bagley stretches out in Coach Dunaway's lawn chair.



Busy with filing, Blair Nelsen works in the Bill Room during the session of the General Assembly.

Class taught in reverse, Mark Poole shows Phil Martin, Ross Renick and Norman Lynch the proper way.



Varied Culture

Vietnamese Influence, Trips Abound

As a change from the traditional classwork revolving around Social Studies, field trips, guest speakers, and classwide projects provided further educational opportunities. Speakers came from such diverse groups as stockbrokers and Vietnamese refugees. Whether eighth grader or senior, the classroom took on a new appearance. Senior government students visited the General Assembly and City Hall, where from the top floor, they had a fantastic view of the city. Seniors Blair Nelsen and Ben Brooks worked as legislative bill room attendants during the General Assembly. Blair worked for the House of Delegates, while Ben worked for the Department of Purchase and Supply.

Sociology classes proved to be trend-setters in innovative teaching. Projects ranged from a mock funeral in mourning for the "dead" class, to guest speakers on religion and psychic phenomena, trips to the Valentine Museum, the City Jail, and the Spring Street Hotel, better known as the State Penitentiary.

Seeking answers to the future, Duane Ragsdale asks Sister Ann (Mrs. Narum) his plight during the Electives Fair.

Caught in a starry-eyed mood, Lynn Boshier is avoiding the subject of Career Education.





Key Club members: Lyne Aigner, Leslie Altman, Randy Bagley, Jimmy Barden, Mark Boshier, Leonard Bottoms, Carol Brown, Kevin Burnette, Tommy Critz, Warren Doub, Jay Ellis, Lewis Fields, Mark Gooch, Bert Hazelwood, Buddy Martin, Chris Martin, Rick McGeorge, David Morris, Blair Nelsen, Walter Norwood, Larry Preston, Duane Ragsdale, David Rutledge, Jonathan Schmick, Doug Sheppard, Charles Schesventer, Johnny Shomaker, Mark Sykes, Mark Walker, Manard Warren, Tim Winter, Travis Wood

Politics, Service, & Brains

Tv, Luncheons, and Elections Keep Clubbers Occupied

Like a shadow from the past, WWBT-TV, in cooperation with Giant Foods, sponsored academic competitions between area high schools. Many students vaguely remembered the High School Bowl on which the show was fashioned. Tim Winks, captain, David Rutledge, and Jonathan Schmick represented us and finished a very close second in the first round.

Another new club, Teenage Republicans, spent the year organizing and planning for future activities. The members were most prominent during House and Senate elections in November. They manned the polls the entire day, campaigning for various Republican hopefuls. Throughout the year the club chairman was Tim Winks.

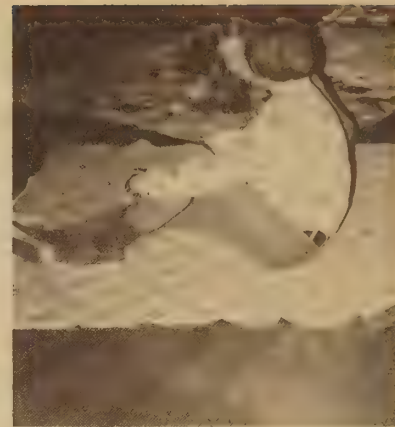
The Key Club's only project was their "Little Brother" program. At many games, a spectator could easily distinguish a club member by the seventh grader in tow. Members attended Kiwanis luncheons once a month to keep their sponsors up-to-date on club activities.



Teen-Age Republicans: Tim Winks, Blair Nelsen, Amy Powers, Kathy Tolley, Kevin Canfield, George Shaw, Mike Madison, Rebecca Noble, Melissa Ragsdale, Jimmy Barden, Charlotte Reynolds, Cindy Green, Jonathan Schmick.



It's Academic: Tami Baxter, Gilbert Bland, Jennifer Davis, Melissa Grady, Robin King, Blair Nelsen, Ellen Nilson, Amy Powers, David Rutledge, Charles Schesventer, Jonathan Schmick, Tim Winks, Elizabeth Wolpert, Susan Young.



The annual Sadie Hawkins Dance was a success for both those attending and for the dwindling SCA treasury. **Above:** Old friends meet again. Ray Blunt offers the traditional handshake to Daune Ragsdale. **Upper right:** Sharing a blanket are Johathan Schmick and Ellen Nilson. **Lower right:** VHS "hillbillies" dance to the music of "Crimson."




The Newness Of It All

Inexperience Hampers New Officers

Bringing the Inter Club Council into the SCA was the first major issue undertaken by the student government. Once united, the two organizations worked as one to form a more stable governing body.

The SCA again sponsored a foreign exchange student. Beatriz Alves lived with Peggy Ellis and her family throughout the year and picked up a senior's schedule. After successfully passing all of her classes, Beatriz graduated with the class of '76. Aside from all of its usual activities, planning and carrying out homecoming, printing and distributing athletic schedules, and other routine duties, the SCA officers and committees planned, and the homerooms ratified, a new Raceme. Members of the Raceme are to act in the same manner as the House of Representatives. Raceme members will be elected from each class and will in the future chair all committees.

ICC members' main objectives were to make the dormant clean-up campaign a success and to revise the criteria for selecting "Club of the Year." The former project was completed to the point of assigning clubs to clean-up areas, and from that point the campaign was ignored. The second project was successful in that the club set standards for judging and established a committee to review applications.



Newly-elected officers are, left to right, Garry Dunn, president; Larry Preston, vice-president; Martie Dyer, secretary; Vickie Brown, treasurer.

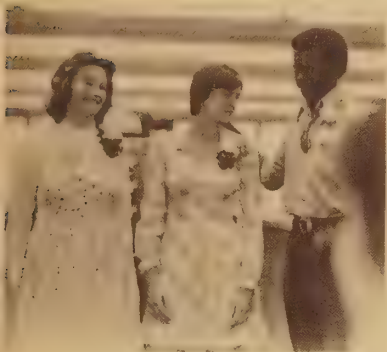


Giving Patrice Altman a warm welcome, Debbie Battle congratulates her on her honor



Going through the reception line is Rhonda Fleming, Mrs. Blanton, and Ben Brooks.

The three outstanding SODAS are Cindy Greene, Kathy Tolley, and Raymond Smith.



The SODA Papa! Crockett Morris enjoys his refreshments.

Conversing among themselves are Rick McGeorge, Doug Sheppard, and Lissie Reid.



SODA: 1 to r; 1st row, Blair Nelsen, Donald Noble, Kathy Potter, Deedee Yates, Peggy Ellis, Pam Marciniak. Charlotte Reynolds 2nd: Kevin Canfield, Lissie Reid, Karen Jenness, Mark Walker, Garry Dunn, Ellen Nilson, Dawn Atkins, Robin King.

3rd; Debbie Barnes, Rhonda Fleming, Belinda Brizendine, Debbie Battle, Beth Gooch, Carol Brown, 4th; Judy and Melissa Ragsdale, Anita Lester, Yvette Howey, Brenda Marshall, Jimmy Barden, Tim Winks, 5th; Bert Childress, Amy Powers, Kathy Tolley, Stuart Walton, Robert Smith, Ronnie Saunders, Jonathan Schmick, 6th; George Shaw, Tommy Critz, Rick McGeorge, Duane Sheppard, Buddy Martin, Ray Blunt, Raymond Smith.

SODA Not All Pop!

Better Attitudes Sought

Gold Carnations

SODA, Student Organization for Developing Attitudes, was bigger and more active than last year. The club, in teams of one boy and one girl, spent time during the year in an elementary school classroom as big brothers and sisters to the fifth and sixth grade students. Each team visited the classroom every other week and presented a program relevant to the needs of the students. SODA members also attend the class plays, trips and parties, always to the delight of the team members instead of students.

Tappings in May initiate new members from eleventh grades, and next year's SODA program will be the largest ever. At the tapping, Crockett Morris received an honorary SODA membership. Both new and old SODA members received gold carnations to be worn during the day as a sign that they were SODA.

PRACTICAL ARTS



Combining numbers, letters, and angles is about all math consists of, but the way in which the combination was taught made math interesting. Among many changes, geometry was switched to become an eleventh grade offering while Algebra II was demoted to tenth grade. This switch nearly doubled the number of Algebra classes. Also new was a self-study calculus class for students who somehow or another finished trig in previous years. During study hall for one semester, high school students could take a computer class, using the hook-up system from the Math-Science Center. Many fierce battles arose when students tried to beat the computer at 3-D tic-tac-toe and other games.

One highlight for algebra students was a class taught one day by a professor from the Math-Science Center. The professor taught the class on closed circuit T.V. and demonstrated many calculator tricks and computer hints.

New to Varina, Suun Vu performs numerical feats.



Whimsical glances from Danny Ramsey.





Observing the baby chicks is Tommy French



Testing the chemicals, Tracy Kesler investigates.

Worms, H₂SO₄, Amps & An Ex-Marine!

From Earth Science to Physics, F. Building never lacked for excitement. Ninth graders touched on the aspects of physical science while physics students delved into amperes and movement theories. Sophomores who could survive college prep biology found it hard to survive ex-marine Sanderford, but if the creepy crawlers got too bad there was always Mrs. Woodall's gentler approach. Then for the mad scientist in all of us, Mrs. Lovings offered an outlet in her chemistry class. Juniors learned quickly that the properties of the world were a little more complicated than expected.

Far away from the stench of biology, Mrs. Shirey and Coach Keeton conducted classes in L-building. Middle School students delighted in air conditioning while upperclassmen had to survive the heat across the walk.

Mrs. Shirey highlighted the year when she added a beautiful baby boy to her family at the beginning of second semester.



Slicing animals are Richette Haywood and Patricia Brown.



Gina Wilmoth rests from her tiring work as an amateur seamstress.

Preparing a meal isn't just women's work, as Mrs. Gardner shows Barry Ziegler.



Greg Hensley trains for future life as a sworn bachelor.

Terri Smith prepares a stunning outfit as a classmate observes.





Displaying their Bicentennial quilt are, clockwise, Debbie Clayton, Kim Little, Elizabeth Crockett, Terri Smith, Renee Carter, Janice Willis.

FHA members: Lisa Atking, Veronica Atkins, Brenda Barbour, Janet Carlisle, Deborah Clayton, Barbara Clifton, Sarah Coakley, Sharon Crawford, Beverly Crenshaw, Sharon Fields, Yolanda Fields, Lagena Frizzell, Diane Gillen, Marie Glassco, Dian Grimes, Dawn Hagy, Rachael Hodges, Janet Horsley, Jill Johnston, Cheryl Jones, Kathleen Lamb, Karen Lane, Donna Lawhorne, Kathy McLean, Rebecca Noble, Penny Nule, Anita Pence, Lisa Powell, Kim Ranson, Denise Ruff, Beverly Sabran, Sindy Smith, Terri Smith, Cherri Sommerville, Tijuana Sommerville, Kay Tolley, Ann Wilson, Leslie Winstead.



A Tiny Bit Unusual

Bachelor
Living
Offered

Natural
Childbirth
Taught

Cooking and sewing, definitely traditional Home Ec offerings, were not the only classes open to Varinians. Boys could take Bachelor Living to learn many ways to take care of themselves without the feminine touch. Also Family Living, taught to junior and senior boys and girls, gave us the chance to scratch the surface of what life is all about. A highlight of the class was learning about natural childbirth, complete with films and instructions. The class also staged a mock wedding to enlighten students of the expense and excitement of a wedding. As always, home ec. had their usual classes, but the variety made them all terrific.

The FHA sponsored a reception for teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week, and many teachers took advantage of a little break in routine activity. The club also quilted a beautiful Bicentennial quilt which was displayed at the Festival of Arts and Technology. Many field trips highlighted the year, and as school's closing approached, members looked forward to a final outing at the end of June.

Cindy Green

LeeAnn Robbins

"Proficiency in office techniques made easy in 180 days by the business department" — or so it seemed. From beginning typing to stenography and getting out early to work, business students strived for the perfection needed to find employment.

Beginner typing was not always taken by budding secretaries but mostly by term-paper-minded college-bound juniors and seniors. Clerk-typist and stenography, taken by secretarial students, lasted two class periods and many times a little over.

Business students taking clerk-typist learned to run offset presses and do keypunch work, all skills needed in today's modern society. Classes in accounting taught students the proper way to record, keep, and understand figures, especially those dealing with money.

Many students aided with the preparation and printing of the self-study books for each department used by the state evaluators during accreditation evaluation in February.



Mastering the finger punch technique, Christie Bridgers earns her degree



Gail Edwards



Technical Arts



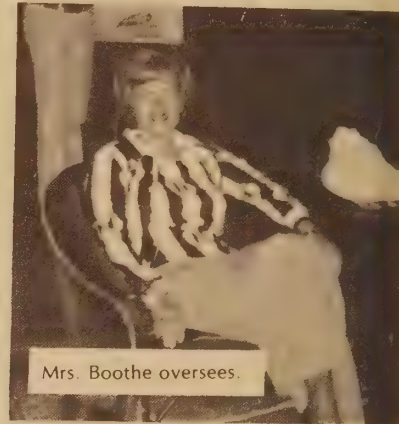
The Crew; Linda Rice, Carolyn Scott, Gail Edwards, and Patti Shumaker draw and paste



Pam Marciniak



Mrs. Boothe oversees.



Future Business Leaders of America: Front Row; Walter Boswell, Pam Marciniak, Brenda Marshall, Carolyn Scott, Carolyn Duckworth, Karen Uzel, Elizabeth Wolpert, Patti Shumaker, 2nd; Donna Miller, Tina Johnson, Carrie West, Lisa Fussell, Christie Stegner, Gayle Wilson, 3rd; Joyce Barbour, Debbie Battle, Linda Rice, Kathy Brittle, Tina Brooks, 4th; Debra Mowbray, Debbie Harper, Diane Acors, Robin Melton, Martha Jones, Sharon Uzel, Brenda Butler, 5th; Ce Ce Jackson, Carole Lindsey, Debbie Wells, Lissie Reid, Ellen Rose, Gail Edwards, Robin Hampton, Sandy Friedhoff, Mrs. Mosher.

Many Honors Earned

The Future Business Leaders of America, second in voting for outstanding club, were very active throughout the year. The club participated in everything from homecoming to the regional convention and more.

Members worked all year sharpening skills, designing bulletin boards, and keeping the scrapbook up-to-date to be prepared for the regional convention held in the spring. Walter Boswell, president of the region, was in charge of the convention. He also won the Margaret Crumbly scholarship. During the convention, the Varinians campaigned vigorously and succeeded in having Kathy Brittle elected as next year's regional president. Among many other awards, the Parliamentary Law Team won first place.

The FBLA club also assisted with secretarial duties in preparing for the state evaluation.

FBLA Regional President Walter Boswell



Steve Martin





Piles & Piles Of

Wood,
Paper,
Steel, &
Paint

M Building as always was a center of activity but not all the usual sawing and hammering. Shop classes involved themselves in many activities other than what people expected. Late in the spring, tool sheds appeared on the lawn, furniture at Hermitage, and students bustled between the two trying to achieve perfection.

The Communications Club spent the year aiding the school with printed material. Among other activities, the club printed the "Paradox," committee reports, office forms, and the pictures for the football programs. The club highlighted its year by entering projects in the Festival of Arts and Technology.



Lathe work mastered by Bennie Bridgewater.

National Awards Sought

Clubs Vie For Titles

Both the VICA and DECA Clubs had "awarding" years, winning much recognition on both the regional and state levels.

The DECA club, led by Sherry Worley, regained recognition with its activity. Judy Rasnic won first place at regionals and was also featured in a "News Leader" article. In service, the club sponsored a marathon dance to raise money to fight multiple sclerosis.

ICC Club-of-the-Year, VICA, well-deserved any and all awards bestowed upon them. Donna Smith led the club, which won the top VICA Club award in the state. Donna and Jimmy Teichert also won individual state awards and will compete on the national level in Miami during the summer. Also, the club will be judged as a whole for national recognition. Many members entered and won awards on exhibits at the Festival of Arts and Technology. VICA's main project was working with the children at the Cerebral Palsy center. Members worked hard to plan programs and parties for the children and were always well-received every time they visited the center.

Honors! Honors! Honors! Jimmy Teichert won his place at district, state, and national events.



Vocational Industrial Clubs of America: Calvin Acree, Ricky Aloï, Lloyd Ambrose, Harris Bowling, Doug Brown, Theresea Bruce, David Clark, Steve Coker, Ricky Cordle, Mary Davis, Tim Ferrell, Andy Foote, Bubba Ford, Donald Foreman, David Green, Sarah Goode, Marvin Haislip, Michael Haislip, David Headden, Bozo Henderson, Eugene Henry, Stuart Johns, Andrew Kelly, Harry McGirt, Bill Moody, Jimmy Ortega, Jerry Pendleton, Steve Plaster, Donald Raikes, Patricia Regali, David Songster, Mark Shirley, James Shook, Owen Sizemore, Donna Smith, Curtis Stevens, Jimmy Teichert, Mary Tucker, Gary Turner, Ronnie Webb, David Weis, David White, Mike Wood, and Sponsor, Mr. McGee





FBLA Regional President Walter Boswell



PHYSICAL ARTS



Most Unusual Not Always Class Games



Handing out drinks, Coach Richards and Coach Eberly count the money coming in.

Following through with her swing, Donna Patterson knocks one out of sight.

"Hold your horses," demands Coach Rudacille as the stampede for food and drink continues.



With its usual strenuous activity, each gym class had something to offer to the pickiest student. Depending on a student's grade level, gym classes offered everything from bowling to soccer to canoeing. The teacher conducting the class might surprise the students because, especially in the spring, different teachers filled in for coaches. Thus was the case of Mr. Brock,



Just messing around are Kay Tolley and Kathy Moore.

Winter exercises without gymsuits keep Scarlet Parr and Emily Wells a little warmer



English teacher, teaching soccer to Mrs. Edwards' gym classes.

In its second try was an advanced P.E. class for junior and senior girls. Although the size dwindled throughout the year, the class was popular with the remaining students, and the canoeing class picnic at Mrs. Thompson's proved to be the highlight.

As in years past, many sophomores were glad to see gym requirements end, and many others did not look forward to next year, but for the most active, gym was an outlet to an otherwise caged day.

Cheering For Apathetic Crowds Mostly

A cheerleader is not just a beautiful girl in a short skirt at a football or basketball game. That was especially evident in this year's squad.

Spending the summer at camp learning new cheers and stunts was only the beginning of their activities. The squad also gave up time from vacation to sell ads and patrons for football programs for the purpose of buying new uniforms. And if that were not enough, in August they decorated for Christmas. Under the direction of Coach Richards, the squad decorated the fieldhouse complete with a tree in accordance with the psyching plan of the coach.

During football and basketball seasons, the cheerleaders busied themselves with more well-known activities. Led by captain Lissie Reid, the squad tried to arouse some spirit in apathetic crowds at pep rallies, sponsored numerous spirit contests, and kept the school decorated with spirit posters.



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS:
Karen Janness, Lissie Reid, Susan Cannon, Patrice Sommerville, Kim Gooch, Theresa Hicks, Peggy Ellis, Donna Miller



Keeping the Pep Rally spirited are Lissie Reid, Karen Janness, and Patty Ricker.

Jumping for victory, Patrice Sommerville displays her joyous feelings!



Clapping her hands in rhythm, Susan Cannon keeps the beat.

Obviously angry at the outcome of the game, Kim Gooch glares away from the crowd.



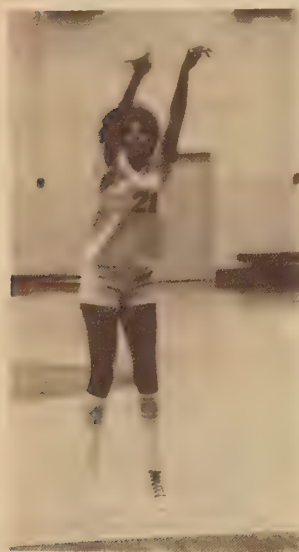
Cheering the Pep Rally on is Donna Miller.

Little People Perform Super Feats

Usually considered less able, the Junior Varsity basketball team surpassed the Varsity's record. The team played together remarkably well, considering the youthfulness of the squad and finished second in the district. Led by sophomore Denise Dowling and eighth-grader T.J. Somerville, the team won most of its games decisively by taking an early lead and never relinquishing it.



J.V. Girls Basketball: front row: Denise Dowling, Diane Marshall, Karen Anderson. Second row: Rita Stewart, Mrs. Smith, Star Cannada, Margie Carter. Third row: Janet Major, Wanda Boltz, Tracy Robbins, Barbara Osborn. Back row: Cheri Sommerville, Brenda Barbour, T. J. Sommerville, Lagen Frizzell, Pearl Bean, Pauline Guard.



Sliding through a hole, T. J. Somerville finds herself with a relatively easy shot.

Any sports program could not be spirited without the help of cheerleaders, and this year's squad was not without something to cheer about. Led by captain Valerie Wills, the squad boosted many dampened spirits at disappointing J.V. football games and became well-known for their ability to sell programs at Varsity games. The highlight of their season was being able to cheer for the regular season J.V. basketball champions and knowing their laryngitis was not in vain.



Having a woman's touch, Denise Dowling shows off her skill at the free throw line.
Careful to make crisp, sharp passes, Karen Anderson catapults the ball to a team mate.



Driving in for an unmolested lay-up, T. J. Somerville sparks the team to another victory.



Going into her routine during a pep rally, Tracy Doub looks toward Valerie Wills for further instructions.

J.V. Cheerleaders, left to right: Susan Sanford, Donna Patterson, Teresa Reese, Valerie Wills, captain, Tracy Doub, Allyson Rudacille, Vicky Miller



Varsity Basketball coach
Miss Barbara Edwards

Looking for a sure play is Kathy Tolley



Varsity Basketball Team: first row-Lee Dyer
Martie Dyer; second row-LeeAnne Robbins
Betty Snyder, Susan Young; third row-Lori
Clay, Debbie Ligon, Janet Madison, Kathy
Tolley; fourth row-Lynne Chandler, Peggy
McLemore, Dawn Marshall, Donna Miller.

Emergency Funds Are Needed Fast

Disappointing is an understatement when discussing the basketball season. In August high hopes abounded, but by the first week of the season, injuries had put a damper on everyone's expectations.

A squad of mostly seniors played the entire year not knowing who would be starting in each game. Every game seemed a disaster since each player expected to be the next hurt. By October, the team was keeping an orthopedic clinic in business with a collection of pulled knees, stretched ligaments, and various ankle ailments.

Frustrating as it may appear, the team became very close and established deep friendships, not only within the team but at various schools in the district.

The team voted not to name an MVP because there was no one stand-out, but instead named LeeAnn Robbins most improved.

Dribbling the ball is LeeAnne Robbins while opponents try to stop her sure play.

Waiting anxiously for the game to begin are Susan Young and LeeAnne Robbins.

Dribbling to safety is Debbie Ligon

Homecoming Victory 14-12 Over Matoaca



"Take it easy, boys!" says Duane Ragsdale as he rises from getting sacked.

Poised to kill are Buddy Martin, Rick McGeorge, Mike Young.



Varsity Football: sitting, John Hyle, Blair Nelsen, Jimmy Conway, Duane Carter, David Rutledge, Allen Baxter, Rocky Garland, Ronnie Redford, Kevin Lee, Charlie Minor, Mike Young, Blair Harding. Second row: Rusty Martin, Duane Ragsdale, Glen McCune, Buddy Martin, David Morris, Mark Renick, Earl Lanham, Len Bottoms, Kyle Robbins, Bobby Gray. Third row: Ashlin, Billy Bennett, Keith Meador. Third Row: Kenny Elgert, David Allen, Bubba Tomes, Gene Gibson, Ted Helmick, Rick McGeorge, Jim Taylor, Allyn Davis, Marc Adams, Raymond Bragg, Wade Moore, Duane Sheppard. Fourth row: Wilmer Stoneman, Richard Martin, Scott Metheny, Brent Stegner, Joey Burrows, David Mize, Mike Bage, Danny Conway, Chris Martin, Wayne Wingfield, Dallas Dowling, Lewis Fields, Raymond Smith, Carol Brown.

92 Varsity Football

Bearing the August heat with promises of development of a strong program, the varsity football team carried an air of expectancy. Head Coach Richards brought with him from New Kent a new football philosophy to replace the defeatist attitude prevailing throughout the community.

The first game was played up as Christmas with the cheerleaders



decorating a tree in locker room. The present—a victory over Patrick Henry. Friday night ended in a tie, but the excitement paved the way for many a tremendous night. Through the season the squad won homecoming, a feat almost forgotten, came too close to beating the district champs, and above all proved the Blue Devils could play good football.

Awards were numerous at season's end, but the most special went to Mike Young. He is to represent Varina for the first time at the All-Star game in July.



Cracking down on the other team's fullback are Wayne Wingfield and Len Bottoms.

Faking a Lee-Davis defender to his knees, Wayne Wingfield zeroes in for the kill



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VARSITY FOOTBALL

We	They
0 Patrick Henry	0
0 Louisa	13
0 James Monroe	11
0 Lee-Davis	40
13 Culpeper	8
13 Tucker	34
6 Benedictine	72
14 Matoaca	12
14 Spotsylvania	16
0 Orange	6
Won-2 Lost-6 Tie-2	

...dale makes haste toward the sidelines after a substantial gain.



What a play! Scott Metheny, David Birch and Michael Allen offer their congratulations.

A devastating figure to behold, Vernon Harris struts down the sidelines.



Bellowing out his instructions, Coach Rudacille makes sure the team knows the plays



Disappointments Are Finally Overcome



The J.V. season started off poorly but ended with a bang. The highlight of mid-season was an 86 yd. kickoff return against Tucker. With one game remaining, our record was 0-5. We had one last chance to reject a bum season with our ace-in-the-hole, Louisa. The team was mentally and physically psyched for this game, our lone district opponent. We romped over Louisa 22-6 to end a frustrating season. Many of the players suffered injuries at the beginning of the season, but everyone participated in the last game.

New Head Coach Carl Richards



Junior Varsity Scores

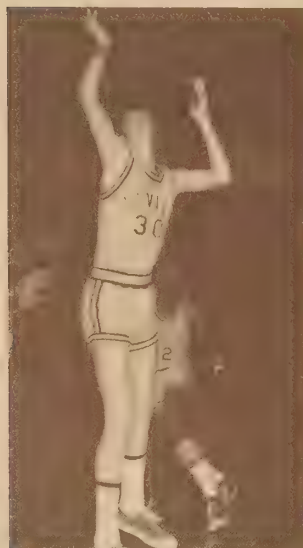
We		They
0	Stonewall Jackson	12
6	Benedictine	12
0	Bowling Green	22
0	Liberty	14
8	Tucker	22
22	Louisa	6
Won		Lost
1		5

Behind picture perfect blocking, Blair Harding finds an open hole.

People can only watch as a hapless Louisa runner falls victim to the swarming defense.

Bosher Reaches His 1000th Career Point

Lacking some of the experience of past squads and depending heavily on Mark Bosher, practice for the season began in November. Then came the surprises. Two past players were lost to soccer and indoor track, and some unfamiliar faces graced the new line-up.



Sherland Whitehead, a newcomer, earned one of the starting forward positions and by season's end was leading scorer, had been named Player of the Week, and was Honorable Mention All-District. Mark Bosher, as expected, led the team in many capacities, but highlighting his career was reaching his one-thousandth point in high school basketball. The players also voted him MVP at the end of the season.

A relatively exciting season came abruptly to a halt as the squad was upset in the first round of the tournament. For the first time in years, Varina was not to advance to the regionals.

96 Varsity Basketball

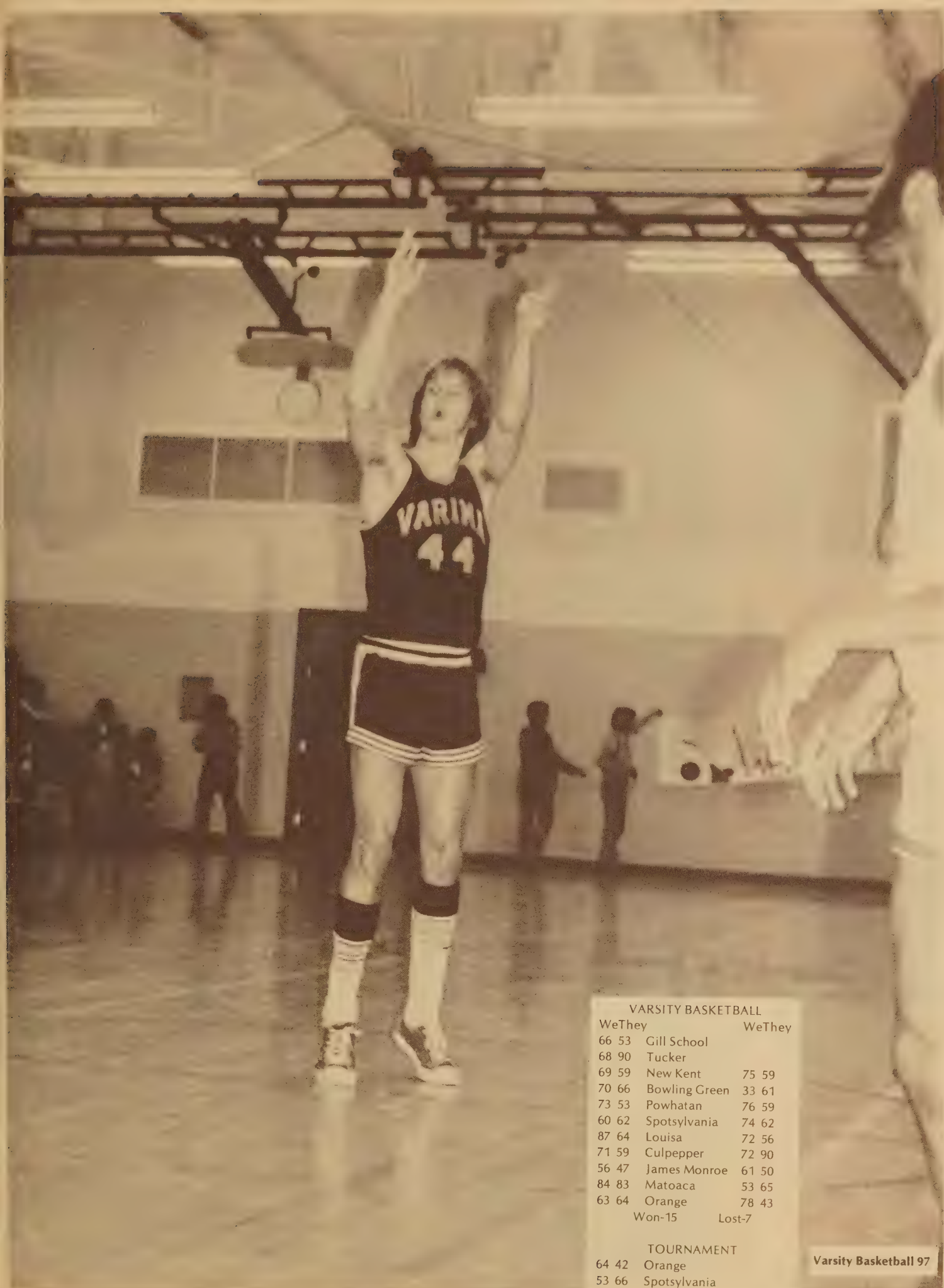


Releasing the ball with great accuracy, Sherland Whitehead shoots "two from Downtown."



Varsity Basketball: kneeling, Travis Wood, mgr., Warren Doub, Steve Atkins, Ricky Atkins, Randy Bentley, Norris Jackson, Sherland Whitehead, Diane Marshall, mgr., James Washington, mgr. Standing: Coach Clabough, Raymond Smith, Chris Parker, Ross Renick, Rodney Damron, Mark Bosher, Rick McGeorge, Dallas Dowling, Doug Sheppard, Coach Rudacille.





Varsity Basketball

WeThey		WeThey
66	53	Gill School
68	90	Tucker
69	59	New Kent
70	66	Bowling Green
73	53	Powhatan
60	62	Spotsylvania
87	64	Louisa
71	59	Culpepper
56	47	James Monroe
84	83	Matoaca
63	64	Orange
Won-15		Lost-7

Tournament

64	42	Orange
53	66	Spotsylvania

JV's Triumph Over and Over and Over

The J.V. Basketball team put together a 17-2 season under Coach Clyde Wilson led by a starting five of Dennis Dowling, Rusty Jeter, Scott Liles, Wayne Wingfield and Royal Manley. They swept their first games by scores such as 80-38, 62-34, and 77-42. But they felt the taste of defeat for the first time at the hands of Orange, 40-38. They later went on to defeat their opposition by lopsided scores and suffered only two more regular season losses and the other dealt to them by Culpeper in the district tournament.

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

We	They		We	They
80	39	New Kent	68	48
62	48	Bowling Green	44	26
65	43	Powhatan	77	42
62	34	Spotsylvania	53	30
41	27	Louisa	56	34
55	41	Matoaca	52	36
49	44	Culpepper	61	51
44	22	James Monroe	42	30
38	40	Orange	55	38
48	53	Culpepper—Tournament		
Won-17			Lost-2	

An easy 2! Wayne Wingfield towers over everyone as he reaches for a perfect lay-up.

JV Basketball, kneeling: Robert

Johnson, mgr., Angelo Ford, Carol Brown, Jeff Pettiford, Michael Hubbard, Randy Ramey, Rafael Brown, Leonard Wingfield, mgr. Standing: Coach Wilson, Howard Martin, Wayne Wingfield, Dennis Dowling, Royal Manning, Chris Mowbray, Scott Liles, Gary Agee, Rusty Jeter.





Even double teamed, Gary Aggee has no trouble getting f a short jumper.

Perfect form by Rusty Jeter displays what is needed to become MVP.



Executing a perfect play, Dennis Dowling passes off to an open man.

The 8th and 9th Grade basketball teams ended their seasons 0-10 and 3-11 respectively. Both teams had to face tough opposition, but only one came out a winner. The coaching alignment was slightly different this season, with Coach Allen taking over the freshman team. But as always, Coach Sanderford led the 8th Graders.

Ninth Grade Basketball

We	They		We	They
54	61	Henrico	57	49
		Trade		
65	80	Stonewall	51	69
		Jackson		
45	71	Liberty	47	59
53	71	Henrico	42	49
38	64	Benedictine	36	75
55	41	Byrd	50	60
58	29	St.	52	66
		Christopher		
		Won-3		Lost-11

8th Grade Basketball: kneeling, Peanut Wright, mgr., Jimmy Bean, mgr. First row: Mike Johnson, Richard Owens, Chuckie Tyler, Mike Kidd, Tommy Trivellian, Kenny Damron, Coach Sanderford. Second row: Ronnie Cheatham, Brian Throckmorton, Johnny Rutledge, Chippy Garland, Andy Allanson, David Taylor.

9th Grade Basketball: front row, Coach Allen, Duane Sheppard, Sammy Bagley, Roger Bagby, Arnell James, Kirk Jeter. Second row: Mike Wilmoth, Scott Metheny, Jim Taylor, Dale McDonough, Carl Womack. Third row: Randy Damron, Ben Johnson, Marvin Price, Sam Smalls, Mike Allen.



Over, Under, Across, Through, And Back



Taking a relaxing run through the woods, Jay Ellis seems to be wrapped up in his work.

Relaxing for a few moments, Jay Ellis and Tim Winter contemplate on whether to continue or not.



The Cross Country team suffered a disappointing season with a 1-5 record. The team, paced by MVP Tim Winter, struggled through its opening meets but put the pieces together to trounce district opponent Matoaca 18-48 for their lone win of the season. Working hard during the season, Coach Sanderford tried to unite a relatively young and



Rounding the curve, Jay Ellis cuts the course short.

Running the cross country course, Tim Winter is behind Jay Ellis going through the underbrush but grabs the lead as they get on solid ground.

inexperienced team. The team was comprised mainly of underclassmen who must take up the slack as seniors Tim Winter and Jay Ellis depart.



CROSS COUNTRY

We	They
49 Tucker	16
18 Matoaca	48
38 Spotsylvania	22
41 Highland Springs	22
55 Hermitage	15
Won-1 Lost-5	



With her usual style and grace, Charlotte Reynolds does her routine on the balance beam. Striking a casual pose, Mary Reynolds placed first all-around in the state.



Gymnastic Team:
 kneeling, Janet Madison, Jennifer Webb, Cindy Blair, Suzanne Bottoms, Ann Burlee, Candace Walton Standing.
 Danna Williams, Sandy Walls, Becky Atkins, Mary Reynolds, Charlotte Reynolds, Phyllis Nelson.

Dynasty Remains! 4th State Title Won



Building on a dynasty, the gymnastics team completed yet another year undefeated. They also added the Woodbridge Invitational championship to their growing list of district, regional, and state crowns.

The team worked year-round either in clinics or on their own to maintain the peak they had reached the previous year. By the first of November, the varsity squad needed only to polish a few rough spots to reach championship caliber and never lost that edge.

Led by sisters Charlotte and Mary Reynolds, the team effortlessly swept each meet. Charlotte began using an aerial on the beam at season's end and became the only girl in the state competing with that trick.

At the state championship, the girls were the only team to receive a standing ovation. They lived up to everyone's pride by sweeping almost every event. Mary placed first in all-around, with Charlotte and Phyllis Nelson second and third respectively.

In a very emotional presentation, complete with tears, Charlotte received the most-valuable-gymnast award at the winter awards banquet.



Gymnastics champions, left to right: Mary Reynolds, Becky Atkins, Charlotte Reynolds, Sandy Walls, Dana Williams, Phyllis Nelson.

Demonstrating her proficiency on the balance beam, Becky Atkins shows a girl's gym class how it's done.

Approaching the end of her routine, Phyllis Nelson looks toward the sky in hopes of a high score.

Wrestlers Are Slowly Improving



In a tense situation, Leslie Shelton does not concede defeat.

Shoulders to the mat, Charlie Schesventer nears a certain defeat.



104 Wrestling

Wrestling, in its third year, proved to be a formidable sport. Wrestlers of all sizes from 98 pounds upward contributed to the mediocre season. All wrestlers confessed to having a great time while working hard. Ably led by Coaches Geer and Denzler, the wrestling team put together a 3-10 season.



Anticipating the whistle, Charlie Schesventer secures his position.

"Psyching" beforehand, Bucky Dean stares down his opponent.



Escaping his opponent's hold, "Buck" Kosler adds two points to his score.

WRESTLING

We		They
0	Henrico	59
39	Lee-Davis	30
2	Spotsylvania	57
12	Louisa	40
43	Hugenot	18
11	Tucker	49
18	Midlothian	44
6	Maggie Walker	59
26	Manchester	34
21	Hermitage	38
14	Freeman	36
2	Highland Springs	65

Won-3 Lost-10

WRESTLING

We	They
0 Henrico	59
39 Lee-Davis	30
2 Spotsylvania	57
12 Louisa	40
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21 Hermitage	38
14 Freeman	36
2 Highland Springs	65
Won-3	Lost-10

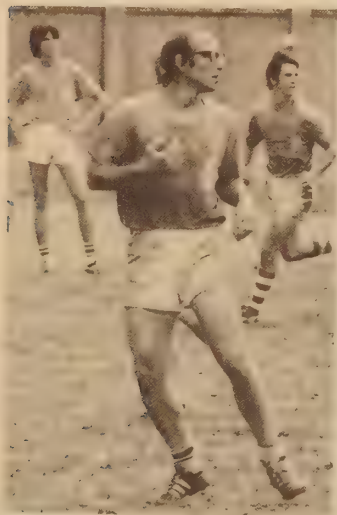


Varsity & J.V. Wrestling: front row, Mike Kirby, Darrell Carter, Ricky Aloi, Russell Cannon, Garry Dunn. Second row: Pearl Bean, mgr., Rusty Martin, Phillip Cannon, Bruce Henderson, Johnny Weaver. Third row: Coach Denzler, Leslie Shelton, Matt Miles, David Allen, Alvin Davis, Mike Johnson, David Hyre, Robert Martin, Buck Kesler, Coach Ceer, Roger Phillips, Philip Martin.



Looking over the situation, Coach Brock passes the ball to a player.

Roaming the goal, Joe Moore constantly holds off the onslaught of enemy goal shots.



Through Thick & Thin - Slimy MUD



Braving the elements as always, the men in blue and white, this year overcame many difficulties to play soccer.

Since winter was without snow, the team did not have to brave harsh weather as in years past. The squad moved to Varina recreation field because three ominous mounds of dirt sat in the middle of the football field, the excuse being that the field was to be repaired. Although crowds were sparse, the team survived a rough rebuilding year in the toughest district in the state.

Also new was a J.V. squad—just a title because the J.V. guys practiced with the Varsity. Their biggest win was against New Community School, where they completely dominated the game.

At season's end, a forgotten basketball player, Manard Warren, who stepped in as goalie, won both the most improved and shared co-most valuable player award with Joe Moore.

VARSITY SOCCER

We	They	We	They
0	7	Benedictine	
1	10	Kecoughtan	0 0
0	0	Hampton Roads	
0	2	Armstrong	0 2
0	1	Highland Springs	3 2
4	1	Middlesex	
2	1	Lee-Davis	
5	2	Patrick Henry	0 2
0	9	Trinity	
0	1	Gill	
1	1	John Marshall	
0	1	Tidewater	
Won-4	Lost-9	Tie-1	

JV SOCCER

We	They
0	Kecoughtan
2	New Community School
0	Freeman
0	Patrick Henry
Won - 1	Lost - 3



Varsity Soccer: front row, Garland Tate, Ted Helmick, James Poulin, Sandy Sanford, Mike Eckel, Wallace Bryant, Danny Mihelcoe, Pat Wade. mer. Second row: Coach Brock, Mark Sykes, Stewart Walton, Jay Ellis, Manard Warren, Joe Moore, Tim Winks, Buddy Martin.

JV Soccer: front row, Howard Goodloe, John Shomaker, Kenny Cooke, Tim Mihelcoe, Kathy Moor, mgr., Ron Hughes, Danny Ramsey. Second row: Coach Kratzert, Tommy Bowen, Bill Powell, Kevin Canfield, Jeff Helmick, Leslie Altman. Third row: Joe Inge, Tommy Critz, Stewart Walton, Tim Martin, Michael Madison, Scott Mattee.

Lack of Consistency Tells The Story

As always, Varinians expected only the best during spring—a winning season by the baseball team. That they were to get but not as easily as in years past, since the team lost seven seniors the previous year.

Working hard at the beginning of the season and overcoming early losses, the squad gradually worked its way up to a do-or-die



situation. The team had to beat Spotsylvania. So on a rainy Friday, they left for the mountains, and, after two bad calls by the referees, came home out of the district race.

Manard Warren led the squad, as was expected, but not expected was the way he led them. He broke the RBI record with 29, was leading hitter, MVP, and All-District. Accomplishing all this, after being in a slump in the beginning and being bugged by scouts, was truly a feat.

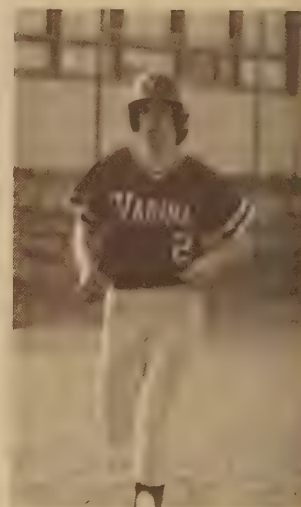


Waiting for the third strike, Dwayne Carter stands ready.

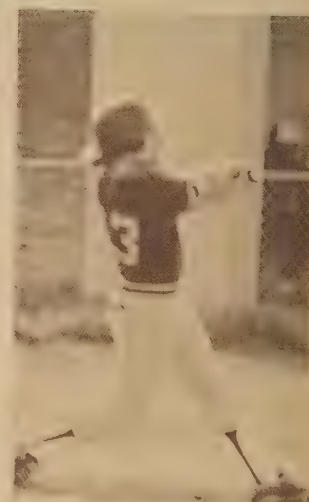
A double! Dennis Campbell rounds first and strives for second.



First row: Diane Marshall, mgr., Jason Clabough, Dwayne Carter, Rick McGeorge, Doug Sheppard, Rocky Garland, Dennis Campbell, Warren Doub, Manard Warren, Mike Bage, Eddie Wilmoth, Kyle Robbins, Tommy Trivellin, Mgr., and Bill Nelson; second row: Coach Geer, Randy Bagley, Randy Ramey, Lewis Fields, Rusty Jeter, Ross Renick, Brad Marshall, Coach Clabough.



Scoring another run during the Armstrong game, Rocky Garland crosses for the ninth run.



A perfect follow-through by Warren Doub.



We're Just Practicing, Thank You

Lacking the polished talent and experience of past squads, the junior varsity baseball team spent most of the year rebuilding from players lost to the varsity.

The season, which is short as all J.V. seasons are, was made shorter by rain and a missing umpire. These two unfortunate incidents, coupled with a slow start, kept the squad from achieving more than an even record.

Since youth was the squad's asset, and since many players will return, this season can only be considered an educational one as the coaches taught the fundamentals of baseball to perfection.



With men on base, Mike Wilmott slams a run-scoring triple.



J.V. Baseball: kneeling, Peanut Wright, mgr., Ronnie Cheatham, mgr. Front Row: Zonnie Watson, Sam Bagley, John Rutledge, Robert Johnson, Mike Kidd, Chippy Garland, Pat Thompson, Andy Allanson. Second row: Kirk Jeter, Scott Metheny, Ronnie Redford, David Mize, Mike Wilmott, Chuck Zura, Bobby Anderson, Greg Frizell, Ray Gratz.



A potential threat at bat as well as on base, Ronnie Redford rounds third on his way to home plate.

Attempting to give signals, Sam Bagley clowns around.

Just able to beat the throw, Chuck Zuna utters a sigh of relief.



Individual Efforts Complement Record

Sharing the track facilities with the girls was no hindrance for the boys' track team. Many times they helped the girls, and it was evident that every boy enjoyed the girls being there.

An addition to the hardware was a new landing pit for the pole vaulters. This added safety feature enabled the already talented trio to set a new meet sweep record at eight sweeps in a season. Not new but as



hazardous as ever, the high jump pit did not scare Ted Helmick as he set a new record at 6'1".

The running events hurt the team most of the time, but the mile relay team, hurdlers, and 880 men usually came through. Kenny Elgert was a stand-out by scoring the most points for the season and breaking the intermediate hurdles record.

The coaches, who look forward to his outstanding performances next year, named Ray Davis as MVP.



Throwing the shot put with great effort, Raymond Bragg easily outdistances the opposition.

Relaxing after a meet, Ted Helmick boasts about his record-breaking feat.



A few more jumps like this one and Dennis Dowling will be ready for — where else? — the Olympics.



Clearing the bar with ease, MVP Ray Davis looks down to see if there is any pit beneath him.



Varsity and JV Track: Front Row: Jimmy Bean, mgr., Jimmy Conway, Ray Davis, Lyne Aigner, Bland Marlowe, Jeffrey Pettiford. Second Row: Mike Young, Gale Bland, Carl Womack, Kevin Toy, Antony French, Tim Trivellin, Bruce Nielson, Paul Mullins, Leonard Wingfield, David Taylor, Jon Goodloe, Alfredo Sabater. Third row: Earl Lanhan, Kenny Elgert, Ted Helmick, Frankie Elliot, Danny Conway, Tim Winter, Steve James, Bill Powell, Raymond Bragg, Jim Taylor, Scott Liles, Chris Mowbray, Roger Duckworth, Bernie Waring, W. H. Walton, Dennis Dowling, Randy Damron, Mike Eckel, Coach Eberly.

Individuality And Sharing Tell Story!

The ability to share and to get along were invaluable to both the girls' tennis and track teams. Every day was a test to see who would get four of the seven courts or the longest use of the long jump pit.

The track team competed in dual meets mostly against AAA schools, winning against Freeman and Tucker. Most performances were not team ones, though, as individuals did most of the work. The team did poorly at district, but three girls, Lee Dyer, Debbie Barnes, and Tami Christian, qualified for both the regionals and the state meets. Lee Dyer, a freshman, ended the season as high scorer and MVP.

Tight matches were not uncommon for the girls' tennis team. Led by seniors Kathy Tolley, Peggy McLeMore, and Susan Young, the tennis team played into a three-way tie for second and had to play off for the second spot at regionals. The squad soon realized that a hat trick is hard to complete by losing to twice-beaten Orange 5-4. The team voted Susan Young, number 1 seed, MVP.



Hurdling herself into the high jump pit, Deborah Barnes puts another win under her belt.



Varsity and JV Girls Track, sitting: Tracy Doub, Pam Salmon, Lee Dyer, Margie Carter. Standing: Brenda Barbour, mgr., Joy Elliott, Jennifer Banks, Lagen Frizell, Tammy Christian, Cheryl Schettino, Nita Fields, Sherry Eccelstone, Denise Dowling, Joyce Barbour, Ellen Rose, Deborah Barnes, Betty Dunn, Linda Fleming, Pearl Bean Cheri Sommerville, mgr.



Using every ounce of strength she has, Peggy McLemore is en route to winning another match.



With a devastating overhand serve, Kathy Tolley aces another opponent. Extending herself to the utmost, Susan Young delivers an invincible forehand.





Poised to strike down yet another opponent, Kevin Burnette eyes the ball. Striking terror into the hearts of his opponents, Steve Vaughan is a player to be reckoned with.



Surprises Make Next Year More Hopeful

A group of virtually inexperienced players, the tennis team slowly jelled into a strong squad under the leadership of captains Jimmy Barden and Geroge Shaw.

Playing against "country club" teams most of the time provided the excellent competition needed to improve, and improve they did. By the end of the season, the team was scaring much of their AAA competition.

Number one seed Kevin Burnette, and the doubles team of Burnette and Barden, competed in the district tournament for a spot in the regionals. There they were stopped both times by Matoaca, players they had beaten twice previously.

Kevin Burnette was voted MVP, and the doubles team of Larry Preston and Mark Gooch were awarded with the best doubles team trophies at the awards assembly. With the top seed returning and only two seniors graduating, the tennis team provides much ability for the future.

Varsity Tennis: kneeling: Albert Wood, George Shaw, Jimmy Barden, Barry Ziegler. Standing: Kevin Burnette, Brian Snipes, Mark Gooch, Larry Preston.

J.V. Tennis: kneeling: Burt Hazelwood, Steve Martin, Chris Shaw, Allen Baxter. Standing: Steve Vaughan, Jonathan Schmick, Charles Welch, Bobby Sanford.

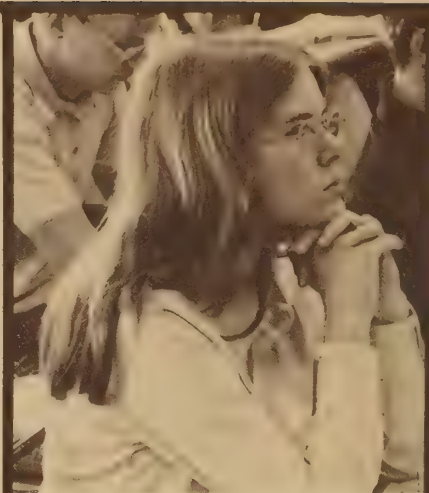
Waiting confidently for the next serve, MVP Jimmy Barden takes the necessary precautions.

Varsity Tennis

We	They		We	They
2	7	Benedictine	2	7
7	2	Matoaca	5	4
2	7	Henrico	3	6
3	6	Culpeper	4	5
2	7	Highland Springs	3	6
1	8	James Monroe	0	9
4	5	Orange	5	4
		Won-3	Lost-11	

J.V. Tennis

We	They		We	They
1	8	Benedictine	2	7
0	5	Henrico		



Clockwise Ellen Nilson, Clayson Guard, Gregg Verlander Next page Mary Reynolds, Betty Dunn

Evaluation
 future's goals
 seniors tugging loose ends
 seventh graders with nowhere to go but up
 People thrown together
 by choice or law
 Sandston and Varina
 try to find a happy median
 Lives built by books
 foundations laid by experiences
 Bicentennial
 heritages stressed
 lives examined
 paths chosen
 time to look back
 bad points: good points
 Varina
 the year of the tourist attraction
 Varina
 home to us.
 The Arts
 of living, working caring
 Needed
 Cherished as a point of growth
 Actors, craftsmen, geniuses
 working toward personal achievement
 200 years to perfection
 our lives to reach that point
 Classes of every topic imaginable
 imaginations to be tapped fill them
 Challenges:
 not always given
 not always met
 Self-Evaluation
 where to go, what is needed
 School Evaluation
 abilities tested
 curriculum met
 People molded by choice in thinking
 interested individuals.

Influences



"Blessed are they who go
in circles,
for they shall be known
as wheels!"

Mr. Billy Ricks, Assistant Principal for Middle School; Mr. Kenneth Lawrence, Assistant Principal for High School, Mr. Oscar P. Green, Assistant Principal for activities and curriculum; Mr. A. D. Fox, Principal.

Biggest Wheels

Guidance, perseverance, and good times were major attitudes shown throughout every department. Headed by the craziest bunch of "Big Wheels," each department grew in one way or another. Many departments saw new additions to the curriculum while one, the science department, had a new room added. Its title: "Sanderford's Morgue."

Business as usual began before each student's arrival after Labor Day. Not ordinary was the intensity with which everyone worked. The main reason for the pick-up was the accreditation evaluation to be held in February. By late fall, each department was settled and well on its way to a beneficial year.





Secretaries Mrs. Frances Baty, Mrs. Ruth Yahlev, Mrs. Pauline Ormand, and Mrs. Phyllis Snelson.



Mr. Thomas D. Doub, Athletic Director



Mrs. Alice Blanton, Secretary,

Library Staff

Mrs. Sandra Davenport, Assistant Librarian, and Mrs. Virginia Milner, Librarian.



Guidance Department

Mrs. Frances Haynes
Guidance Department Chairman



Mr. Slade Blanchard Duty Assistant

Department Chairmen: seated left to right Mrs. Jo Harris, Learning Center; Mrs. Frances Haynes, Guidance; Mrs. Shirley Daniel, Driver Education; Mr. Howard Clabough, Physical Education; Mrs. Mary Boone, Middle School; Mrs. Phyllis Boothe, Business Education; Mrs. Julia M. Ferguson, Mathematics. Standing, Miss Bonnie May, Foreign Language; Mr. Clifford Fink, Fine Arts; Mr. Alfred Nelson, Jr., Industrial Arts; Mr. Woodrow Sanderford, Science. Not present when picture was taken: Mrs. Lucille Truehart, English, and Mrs. Mabel Marks, Social Studies.

Big Wheels



Mrs. Haynes
Retires



Littlest Wheels Of All

Varina's own baby boom was evident the very first day of school but became more noticeable as time lapsed. A large number of teachers from business to science patiently waited for their

time to take sick leave. By the end of the year, girls far out-numbered boys in the maternity ward.

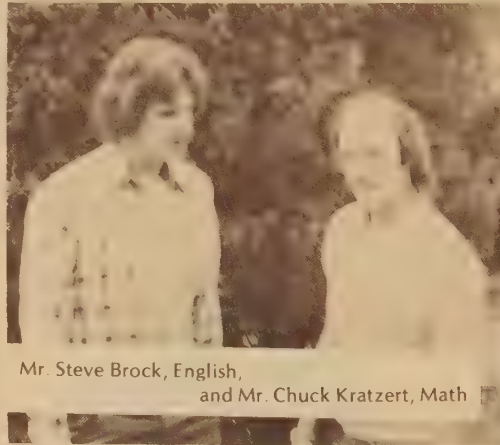
The "littlest wheels of all" fast became big wheels as school settled into a routine.

Students' respect for teachers was less than usual, but in most instances good relationships were established.

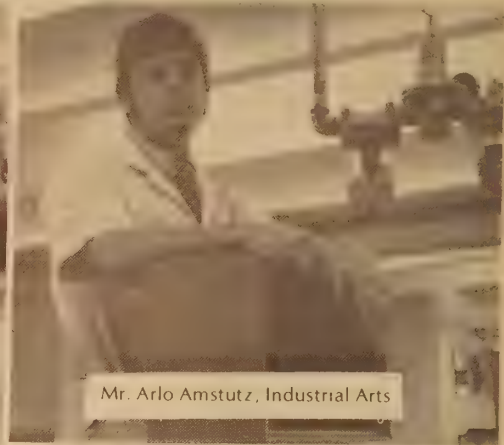
Throughout, the faculty gained the reputation of



Mr. Ferris Allen, Government



Mr. Steve Brock, English,
and Mr. Chuck Kratzert, Math



Mr. Arlo Amstutz, Industrial Arts



Mrs. Bunny Adams, History, Mrs. Cynthia Land,
and Miss Nancye Ittner, both English.



Mr. Edward Altman, Mrs. Belinda Mercer, Mrs. Ann Porter, Fine Arts,
and Mrs. Karen Brown, Business Education



Mr. John Ball, Special Education

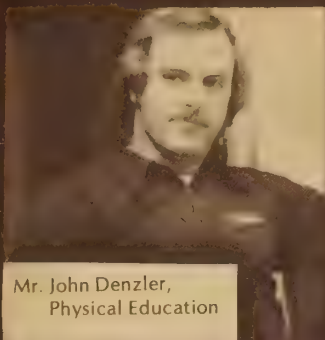


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Home Economics

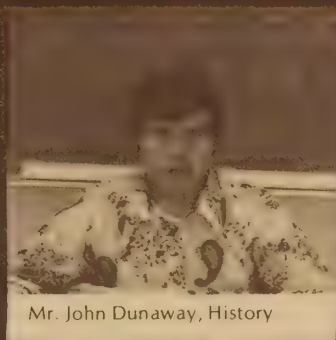


Mrs. Judy Courtney, Physical Education

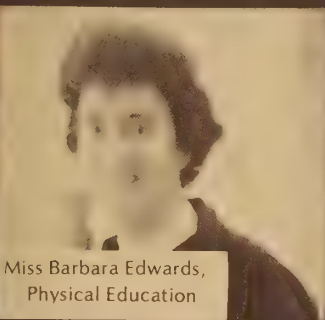




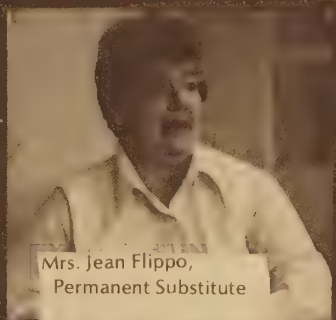
Mr. John Denzler,
Physical Education



Mr. John Dunaway, History



Miss Barbara Edwards,
Physical Education



Mrs. Jean Flipppo,
Permanent Substitute



Mr. George Harris, English, Miss Janice McCouch, Art



Ms. Anne Sharpe, Math



Mr. Charles D. Geer, Math



Mrs. Carol Harrison, Art



Mr. F. Robert Haurand, History



Miss Martha Sommerville, Spanish



Mr. Dave Lohrey, Industrial Arts



Mrs. Mary Ellen Higgins, English



Mrs. Janet Kay, Mrs. Gail Gardner,
and Miss Carol Tucker,
Home Economics



Mrs. Jo Harris and Mrs. Mary Holloway, Learning Center



Mr. Henry Keeton, Science



Mrs. Delores Lawson,



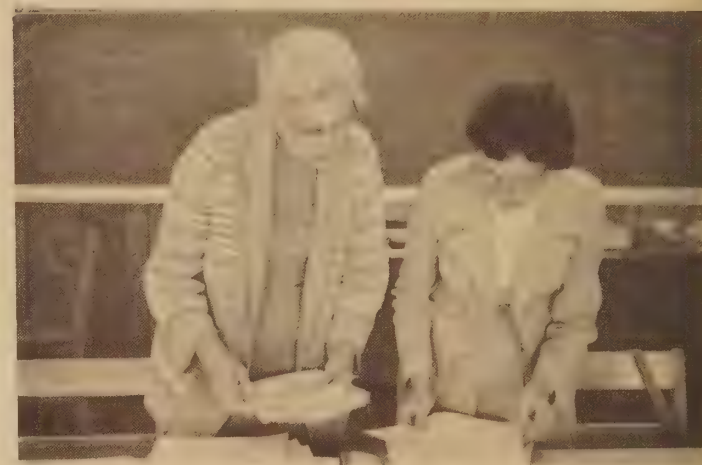
Mrs. Betty Mosher, Business Education



Mrs. Judy Lovings, Science



Mrs. Sarah Narum, History



Mrs. Virginia Mistr, Government, and Mrs. Betty Ward, English



Mrs. Esther Madison, Math



Mr. Dan McGee, Industrial Arts



Mrs. Cynthia Quast, Science



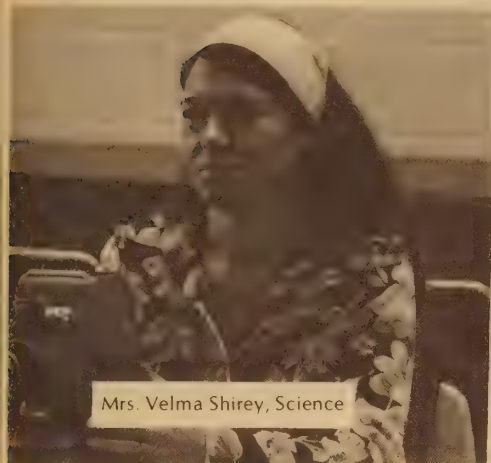
Mr. Glenn Rudacille,
Physical Education

Running Around In Circles

willing to try anything once. Coach Sanderford, always a standout at pep rallies, made banana-eating a cinch during the homecoming pep rally. His defeat was evident at the start, but Mrs. Adams and

Mrs. Mercer hung in there for a close finish. Most teachers participated in fund-raising activities. Rock concerts, candy sales, and a concession stand were just a few extras given by the teachers.

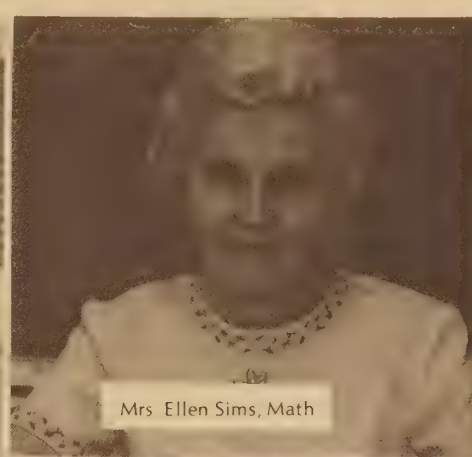
Concern over students' low test scores made many faculty members buckle down. This more stringent attitude brought many changes. One of these changes was the challenging of students' abilities, an



Mrs. Velma Shirey, Science



Mr. Warner Eberly, Physical Education



Mrs. Ellen Sims, Math



Mrs. Brenda Smith, Physical Education



Miss Jean Tunstall, English



Mrs. Fern Thompson,
Physical Education



Mr. Carl Richards, Math



Mrs. Emma Welch, Science



Mr. Clyde Wilson,
Driver Education

Wheelin' and Dealin'

experience rarely achieved in most classes. Also, many debates were held between teachers, as well as between teachers and students, because senior final exams

became mandatory. By late spring, though, calm prevailed as a compromise was reached. Seniors had to take exams only in state-required courses.



Mrs. Charlotte Veasey, Math



Mrs. Suzanne Leath, Special Education



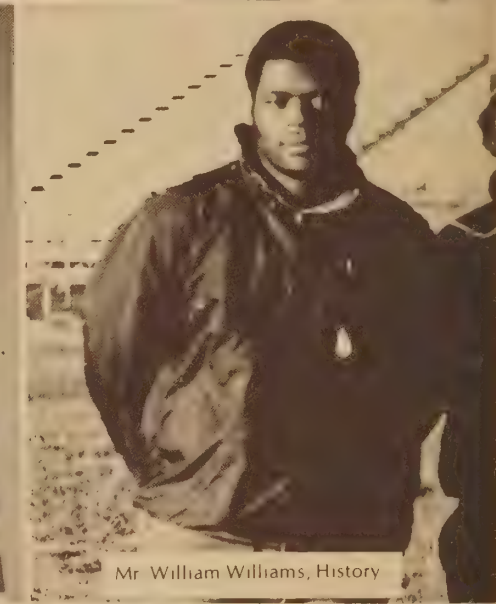
Mr. Gary Stauffer, History



Mr. Robert Klinchock, Distributive Education



Mrs. Charlotte Woodall, Science



Mr. William Williams, History



Mrs. Judith Clary, Business Education



Mrs. Jeanne Hechler,
Business Education



Mr. George Heflin



Mr. Bob Mayo, French



Mrs. Mary Boone, English



Miss Marcia Zimmerman, English



Miss Barbara Wilson, History



Mrs. Ann Hayes, English



Mr. Martin Heath, Science



Mr. Larry Turner, Social Studies and English



Mr. Richard Cox, Science

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT FOR ALL

We decided that Christmas was the time to show the other students their dancing spirit. Miss Wilson was the sponsor and did a great job of decorating and arranging for music, lights and other beautiful things.

We also had a visit from Santa Claus. He brought us candy canes and gave us a little speech about being good.

We had several dance contests on slow and fast music. Each couple that won got a Bicentennial half dollar.

Some mothers were so nice that they made refreshments for us to eat and drink. In return we invited them to come.

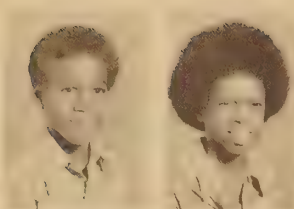
With Santa's help Miss Wilson distributes a gift to the lucky couple.

Winner's of the night, Marchetta Roberts and Ben Madden dance away the hours.





Belinda Adams
Wannette Adkins
Tammy Agee
Michael Alexander



Vincent Allen
Darryl Anderson



Michael Anderson
Carlus Arvin
David Austin
James Bagby



Keith Bagby
Alan Bailey



Susan Barnes
Robert Bartlett
Monica Bartoo
Arthur Baynes



James Beane
Catherine Beazley



Stuart Bell
David Bendle
Richard Bennett
James Biechler



Sharon Bohr
Bonita Bottoms



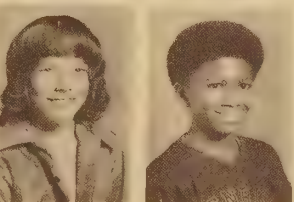
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Joyce Brandon
Frances Brown
Pam Brown



Wade Brown
Anne Burlee



Mary Carroll
David Carter
Barbara Chenault
Randy Chenault



Frank Childress
Jeffery Christian



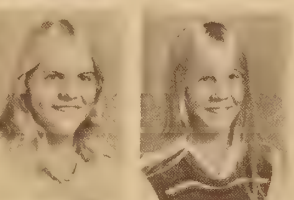
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Annette Cosby
Joseph Craft



James Crisp
George Crosby



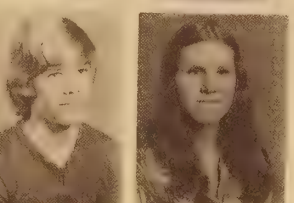
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Cullingsworth
Scott Dalton
Albert Davis
William Deane



Lorey Doub
Theresa Dowdy



Jeffrey Draine
Earnest Drake
Arnold Duke
Joseph Dunn



Mark Dunnigan
Velva Estes

COMMUNITY SERVICES!!

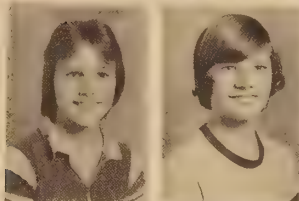
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Jeanne Fazio



Denise Fenne
Robert Flippen
Sheryl French
William French



Dorothy Fuller
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Kimberly Garrett
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Deborah Green
John Greene



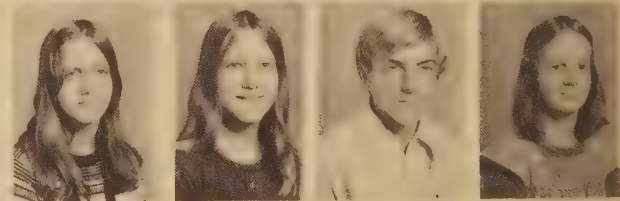
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James Hall
Kimberly Hall
Paul Halstead



Michael Harding
Thomas Harris



Brenda Harvey
Violet Harvey
William Haynes
Elizabeth
Heidelberg



Theresa Henry
Janet Hillard



The Middle School gave food to needy families throughout the community. We did this by holding a contest to see which class could gather the most food.

Miss Zimmerman's homeroom did a skit called Kotter's Thanksgiving and also won the food contest for the eighth grade. Miss Wilson won for the seventh grade. Both classes received a gift of money for the prize.



Proving that Happiness is Singing are Lynn Boshert, Darlene Williams, Terri Redford, Linda Ramey, Kathy Stitzer, Terri Thimsen, and Debbie Weigl



Kimberly Hitchcock
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Alvin House
David Howard



Gary Hughes
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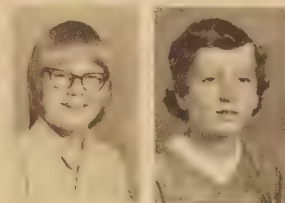
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Lisa James
Daniel Janes



Gilbert Johnson
Zegrída Johnson



William Jones
Paula Kelley
Theresa Kirby
Claude Lampie



Robert Landes
Linwood Lane



Kenneth Lowry
Benjamin Madden
JoAnne Mahoney
Michael Mallory



Rhonda Marshall
Sheila Martin



Thomas Massey
Andrea Mathews
John McCune
Vicki McCune



Curtis McGee
Michael McGhee



Edward McGirt
Larry McGirt
Antoinette McClean
Bennett McNally



Bob Melvin
James Metheny



Because of much generosity, many were made happy

Kim Kitchcock, Jeff Draine, Pam Brown and others read poems and passages from various books.

The Middle School Chorus sang for us during the assembly. They sang "Born Free" and other beautiful songs. They all looked really great and all sang just as great as they looked. Everyone enjoyed themselves.

HISTORY RELIVED EASILY

Jimmy Mickles
Cynthia Miffin



Sherman Miffin
Yvette Miffin
Paulette Miles
Wilfreda Miles



Susan Mitterer
Craig Mize



Robert Morris
Kevin Mulik
Kenneth Newberry
Michael Nolte



David Nuttall
Leslie Osby



David Owen
Clifford Pace
Karen Pettiford
Michael Price



Mark Proctor
Ronald Radvany



John Ragsdale
Linda Rainey
Theresa Redford
Sheusa Rice



William Rice
Warren Richards



William Roach
Donna Roberts
Marchetta Roberts
Stephen Roberts



Vicki Sammons
Catherine Sanders



Rochelle Sargent
Benny Saunders
Tammy Shahinian
Robin Shepard



Lisa Sherry
Sandra Snipes



Mark Stegner
Katherine Stitzer
Richard Sweeney
Theresa Thimsen



John Thompson
Lorna Thompson



Derek Thorpe
Donna Tilman
Hugh Tobin
Patrick Todd





Clayton Toler
Andrew Tyler
Sheryl Tyree
James Wagner



Tracy Walker
Louis Wallo



Jane Walton
Mary Waring
Janis Washington
Theresa Wayne



Dawn Webb
Jennifer Webb



Deborah Weigl
Chris Welch
Ronald Wenger
Clifton Williams



Darlene Williams
Tammy Williams



Michael Wilson
William Winston
Donald Wise
Michael Wright



Peter Yates
Richard Yates



June 2 we tried something new and had a Middle School Class Day. We did this because our school is trying to distinguish us as a Middle School, with our own S.C.A. program next year.

Many received "outstanding" awards at Class Day. Candace Walton won several of these awards and also won the award as the outstanding student of the Middle School.

The Middle School chorus sang some wonderful selections, during which time Shama Tyree played the guitar and sang beautifully.

Candace Walton smiles after receiving the award as outstanding student from Mr. Ricks and Miss Zimmerman.

FORENSICS FIRST IN MANY



Preparing his speech, Bobby Sandford delivers it for the Forensics Club.



Suggestions given to Mathilda Inge by Miss Zimmerman improve her presentation.

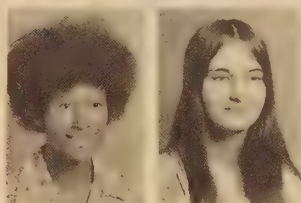
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Wanda Adkins



Cheryl Agee
Marion Aigner
Andrew Allanson
Lori Allanson



Sandra Allen
Pat Amory



Karen Anderson
Richard Armstrong
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Teresa Barber
Renii Barnes



Lisa Battle
Kim Baxter
Wallace Blackburn
Cynthia Blair



Dale Bland
Charlotte Bohr



Denise Boone
Lynn Boshier
Jeff Bottoms
Suzanne Bottoms



Dianne Bowery
Bernetta Boyd



Beverly Boyd
Leslie Brady
Robbie Brandon
Renee Brown



WAYS

The Middle School Forensics Club decided on two main objectives. The club proposed to give seventh and eighth graders a chance to gain confidence by speaking publicly. This also prepares them for the high school Forensics Team. Having a chance to be in this club gave members the opportunity to go to meets and enter competition. Anne Canfield entered such a contest. Students were chosen from Middle School English classes by their teachers. Miss Marcia Zimmerman sponsor.



Sandra Brown



Sandra Buissett



Jimmy Butner



Phillip Cannon



Renee Carter
Donald Cheatham
Debbie Cho
Beverly Christian



Joel Coe
Joyce Conway
Kathy Cook
Bruce Cooke



Sandra Cunningham
Cindy Dabney
Kenny Damron
Patricia Damron



Julie Dorsey
Billy Dowdy
Sanford Durette
Daniel Elliot



Linda Englehart
Terèsa Ferrell
Amy Fowler
Anthony French



Lannie Burnner
Vance Buck



Mark Burch
Kelly Burrows



Tammy Caldwell
Anne Canfield



Russell Cannon
Darrel Carter



Debbie Clayton
Barbara Clifton



Elizabeth Crocket
Linda Cunningham



Alvin Davis
Riva Dean



Bruce Englehart
Joy Englehart



Chippy Garland
Jerry Garten

CAREER EDUCATION - LOTSA



Career trips give Cheryl Harding, Johnny Sabran, and Mildren Holmes an exciting day.



Different jobs interest Alton Moody, William Shook, Donny Wright, Frank Myers, Barbara Yandle, Lynn Bosher, Mike Perry, and Robert Madison.

Darlene Gay
Mark Geer



Marie Glassco
Sandra Green
Charlyn Griffith
Diane Grimes



Pauline Guard
Renee Hall



Chris Haller
Cheryl Harding
Vincent Harlow
Debbie Harris



Wayne Harris
Earl Hatchell



Jeff Helmick
Fay Hollins
Mildred Holmes
Mark Hudson



James Hyre
Mathilde Inge



Windy Isbell
Isaac Jackson
Billy Jenkins
Tina Jeter



Cindy Johnson
Mike Johnston



Betty Jones
Bobby Jones
Terry Justice
Ernest Kelley



FUN?

We participated in a new experiment called Career Education. This class was developed to help students decide which job they would like to have in the future. We took many field trips to give us a chance to get a first hand view of the working world. Many very interesting places were visited. Mrs. Gross was the head Career Education teacher. Coach Dunaway, Mrs. Chamberlain, and Miss Kay also had classes. We hope that this course is a success so that future classes will have the chance to benefit from it.



Judo fascinates Mrs. Courtney's second period gym class



Mike Kidd
Rick Kinsey
Robert Kirby
Karen Lane



Elizabeth Lanham
Donna Lawhorn



Tina Leake
Caroline Lingerfelt
Kim Little
Pat Lyon



Kevin Madison
Robert Madison



Dianne Marshall
Steven Martin
Kenny Mays
Dennis McCauley



Kathy McLean
Susan Melton



Lesa Miffin
Pattie Miffin
Raymond Miffin
Alton Moody



Kathy Moore
Paul Mullins



Franklin Myers
Tina Meyers
Bill Nelson
Bruce Nilson



Richard Owen
Raymond Pace

STICK STIMULATES CLASS



A new student from Vietnam, Lee Lee, gives us new ideas about her country.



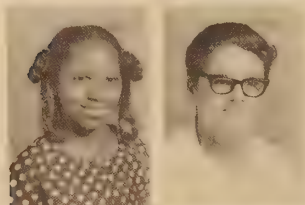
Coach Keeton shows Ernest Kelly a new method of yelling.

Erin Park
David Parr



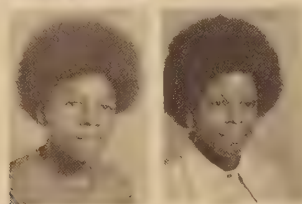
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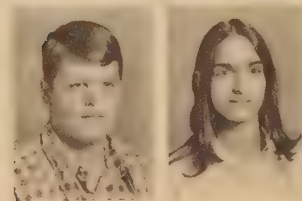
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Lawrence Snead
Glenn Snider
Tjiana Sommerville
Cheryl Spurlock



SPIRITS

Cheerleaders came up with a new way for students to show their school spirit. Lissie Reid led the school in a yelling contest. The class that had the loudest and largest mouth would win the red, white, and blue spirit stick until the next pep rally. Coach Keeton brought the eighth grade with an air horn and hand signals to a very, very noisy victory. We won the stick everytime, but one. It was kept in Miss Zimmerman's room, E-7. The ninth grade won it once, but we soon retrieved it.



Rita Stewart



Brenda Thompson



Mark Thurston



Timmy Trivellin



Liston Tyler
Charles Vaughan
Steve Vaughan
Janice Via



Kenny Walker
Butch Walsh
Andrea Watkins
Charles Watson



Tina Wier
Malinda Wilkerson
Janice Willis
Gina Wimoth



Leslie Windstead
Charles Wise
Karl Wolpart
Mike Wolpart



Rebecca Woods
Donny Wright
Barbara Yandle
Regina Young



Juanita Stone
David Taylor



Danny Thompson
Brian Throckmorton



Dianne Tibbs
Kay Tolley



Tommy Trivellin
Timmy Turner



Dianne Vince
Charles Wagner



Mark Weaver
Emily Wells



Ann Wilson
Leonard Wingfield



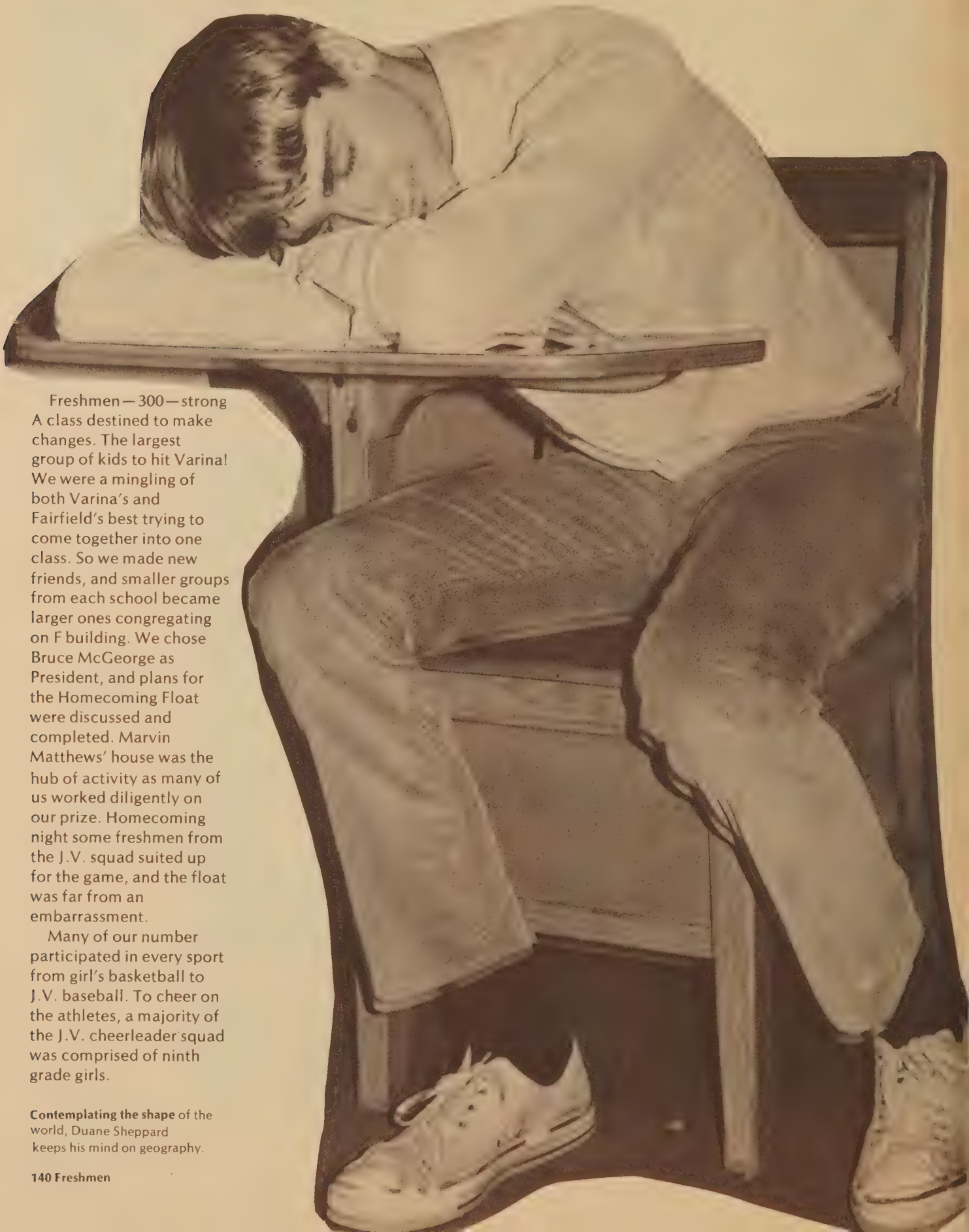
Carlton Wood
David Wood



Lynn Zuna



JUMBLE TOGETHER : ONE



Freshmen — 300 — strong
A class destined to make changes. The largest group of kids to hit Varina! We were a mingling of both Varina's and Fairfield's best trying to come together into one class. So we made new friends, and smaller groups from each school became larger ones congregating on F building. We chose Bruce McGeorge as President, and plans for the Homecoming Float were discussed and completed. Marvin Matthews' house was the hub of activity as many of us worked diligently on our prize. Homecoming night some freshmen from the J.V. squad suited up for the game, and the float was far from an embarrassment.

Many of our number participated in every sport from girl's basketball to J.V. baseball. To cheer on the athletes, a majority of the J.V. cheerleader squad was comprised of ninth grade girls.

Contemplating the shape of the world, Duane Sheppard keeps his mind on geography.



Marc Adams
Roger Agee
Michelle Alexander
Tina Allason



Billy Allen
David Allen



Mike Allen
Crystal Alvis
Rhonda Anderson
Billy Anthony



Eddie Atkins
Veronica Atkins



Paul Atkinson
Crystal Bagby
Roger Bagby
Sam Bagley



Terry Bailey
Helen Ball



Debbie Bandy
Jennifer Banks
Brenda Barbour
Kenny Barnes



Denise Battleman
Billy Bennett



Robin Blackwell
Kenny Blunt
Wanda Boltz
Jeff Bowyer



Mike Brazelle
Ricky Brooks



Phyllis Brown
Virginia Brown
Wanda Brown
David Burch



Murial Burton
Ray Butler



Tom Campbell
Darlene Cannada
Sandy Carlisle
Marvin Carroll



Kenny Chandler
Chris Childress



Steve Childress
Walter Childrey
Henry Christian
Ginger Clark



Mike Clayton
Sarah Coakley



Eugene Collie
Kenny Cook
Andy Cooke
Butch Cooke



Annette Cooley
Bruce Cornell

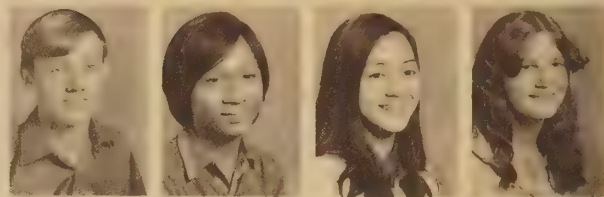
"Let me out!" Mike Noble attempts to "escape" from Varina.



Mark Crabtree
Beverly Crenshaw
Bonnie Crigger
Glen Cutright



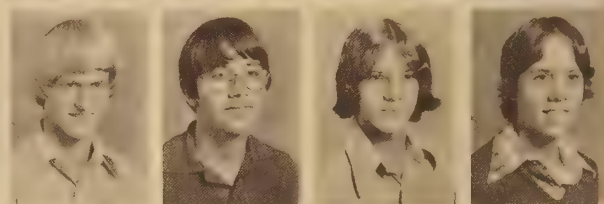
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Phong Dang
Tina Dang
Gina Daniels



Alleyn Davis
Tracy Doub
Tammy Dowdy
Wayne Dowdy



Roger Duckworth
Danny Duke
Rocky Dunkum
Lee Dyer



John East
Sherry Ecclestone
Frank Elliot
June Ellis



MAJOR EXECUTIONS DONE

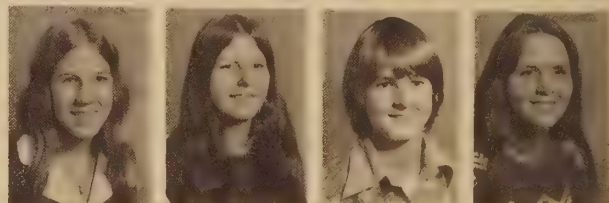
Spirit in many forms was evident as we won at least one spirit stick at a football pep rally and were thrown out of the M*A*S*H assembly, along with the rest of the junior high.

By the beginning of the second semester we had overcome exams and faced the problem of getting accustomed to a new president as Janet Major filled the position vacated by Bruce McGeorge, who left us to go to Benedictine.

Ricky Ellis
David Englehart
Edwin Englehart
Evelyn Englehart



Gina Englehart
Carloyn Estes
Ernest Estes
Kathy Farrar



Tommy Felts
Betty Ferguson
Sharon Fields
Yolanda Fields





Scott Fleming
Bubba Flournoy
Angelo Ford
Dana Ford



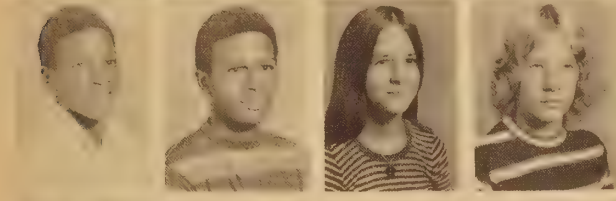
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Robin Geer
Bill Gibson
Brenda Gilliam



Clayson Guard
Dawn Hagy
Kenny Hall
Richard Hall



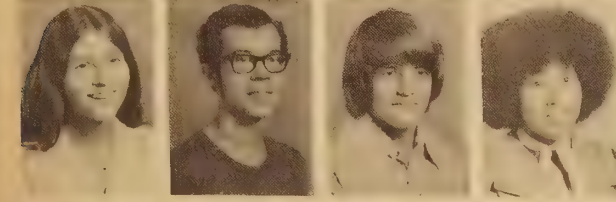
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Becky Harding
Blair Harding
Tracy Hardisty



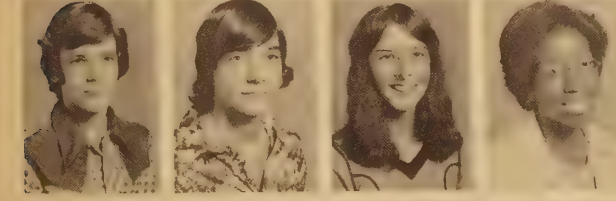
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Vernon Harris
Pam Harvey
Mike Heagle



Teresa Hooper
James Howell
Mike Hoy
Steve Hudson



Iva Ingo
Steve James
Kirk Jeter
Wanda Johnathan



Greg Johnson
Mike Johnson
Barbie Jones
Cheryl Jones



Tracy Kesler
Donna Kichta
Tina Kirby
Vicki Knight



Greg Frizzell
Lagina Frizzell



Debbie Golden
Jon Goodloe



Cathy Haller
Donnie Hamilton



Bobbie Harris
Brenda Harris



Ricky Henry
Barbara Hill



Ron Hughes
Joe Inge



Ben Johnson
Cheri Johnson



Bobby Kelley
Cliff Kelly



Mike Knoche
Greg Koontz

Kathlenn Lamb
Robert Lammey



Larry Landes
Susan Leake
Doug Leary
Mike Lebleu



Beverly Lewis
Harry Lewis



Valerie Lewis
David Linsey
Connie Lipscomb
Tim Little



Sandra Locks
Debbie Long



Kenneth Long
Steve Lovell
Rhonda Luck
Barbara Madison



Robert Madison
Benny Mahoney



Janet Major
Corkey Mann
Mary Marable
Steve Marciniak



Doug Martin
Richard Martin



Robert Martin
Sharon Martin
Tim Martin
Ronney Massey



Marvin Matthews
John Maxey



Patti Mays
Robin Mays
John McCune
Dale McDonough



Cindy McElroy
David McGaughey



Paul McChee
Keith Meador
Jasmine Meckins
Gordon Messer



Scott Metheny
Tim Michalcoe



Gilbert Miffin
Lawrence Miffin
Vickie Miller
Charlie Minor



Earnest Moore
Al Newberry



Mike Noble
Mike Nolte
Kathleen O'Brien
Barbara Osbourne





Linda Osby
Teresa Owen
Glen Palmore
Lennie Parker



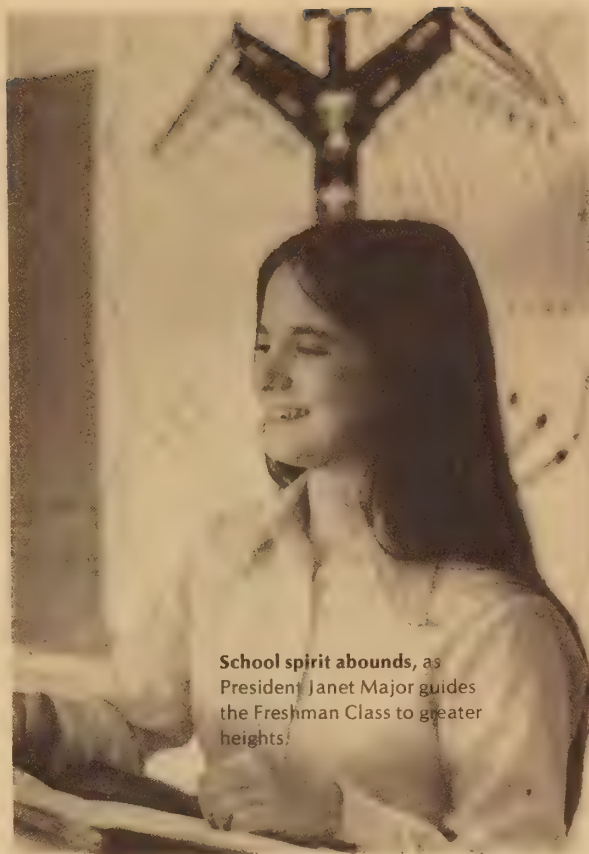
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Donna Patterson
Ronnie Peak
Mark Phaup



Roger Phillips
Pam Philyaw
Bill Powell
Marvin Price



Bonnie Prilliman
Kenny Pugh
Tina Purks
Aaron Ragland



School spirit abounds, as President Janet Major guides the Freshman Class to greater heights!

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS YEAR



Linda Ramey
Ronald Ramsey
Mark Reams
Teresa Reese



Bubba Regali
Dianne Revere
Robbie Rice
Angela Roach



Kim Robins
Tracy Robbins
Tammy Roberts
Leslie Robinson



William Roots
Susan Rudacille
Alfredo Sabater
Tammy Sale

February easily was the highlight of the year as a majority of us traveled to Washington with Coach Dunaway's World History and Geography class. Many of us stayed within the boundries of the Smithsonian and Washington Monument, but many ventured further. A couple of brave classmates tested the ice at a Washington skating rink.

Not to be outdone by any other class, freshmen have many times over prodded themselves as the school pranksters. Miss Sommerville survived the

Pam Salmon
Eva Schesventer



Cheryl Schettino
Beverly Schmidt
Henry Sellers
Mary Shelton



Mark Shifflett
Charlie Shope



Jeri Shufflebarger
Pam Shupe
Ralph Sibley
Sharon Skinner



Samuel Small
Sindy Smith



Crystal Smith
Dorothy Smith
Beth Snead
Jess Snead



Brian Snipes
Cherri Sommerville



Suzanne Spencer
Steve Stanley
Mark Stephenson
Kathleen Stevens



Cliff Stewart
Janet Stoneman



Wilmer Stoneman
Frank Story
Diane Taylor
Jimmy Taylor



Mary Taylor
Marvin Terry



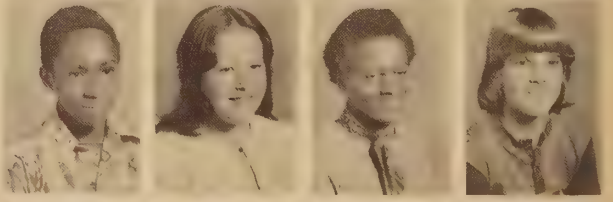
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Tim Tobin
Bubba Tomes
Frank Toney



Kevin Toy
Jimmy Trivellan



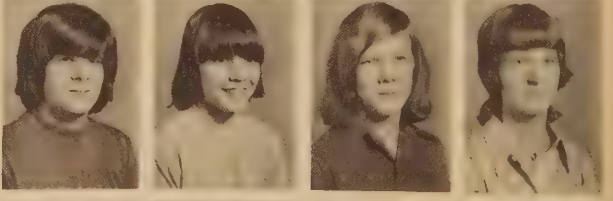
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Rilda Tucker
Edward Turner
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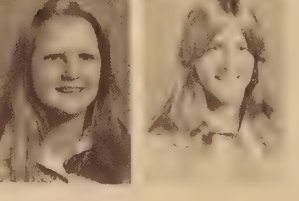
Sheila Tyler
Gary Vaughn



Jerry Vaughn
Greg Verlander
Melvin Wade
Lisa Walker



Linda Walker
Sandy Walls



Donna Walton
Kathy Walton
James Washington
Patricia Watkins



NERVOUS BREAKDOWN



Zonnie Watson
Kathy Webb
Sharon Webb
Richard Wells



Bernard Weigl
Donna Wendel
Dickie Wendel
Deloria Westbrook



Linda White
Cindy Williamson
Mike Wilmoth
Judy Wilson



Mark Winn
Becky Winston
Carolyn Winter
Carl Womack



Greg Worley
Andrea Wright
Beverly Wright
Virginia Wright

daily onslaught of paper planes and spitballs while teaching many of us Spanish. It would not be unbelievable if some of those days she missed were to recuperate from a nervous breakdown.

And there was Mrs. Ferguson and the Ivy Caper. It seems that some freshmen disposed of some hydrochloric acid on her ivy plants. The case still remains totally unsolved although some members of her fourth period class have more demerits.



Debbie Woods



Chuck Zuna
Cindy Zurik



Trying his lines on unwitting young ladies, Mark Adams sweet talks Crystal Alvis.



Taking advantage of the morning gossip period, Becky Zuraw tells her friends all she knows.

WATCHOUT

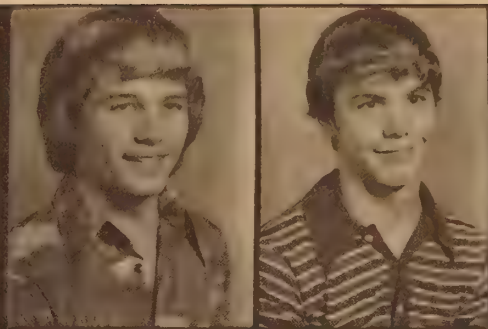
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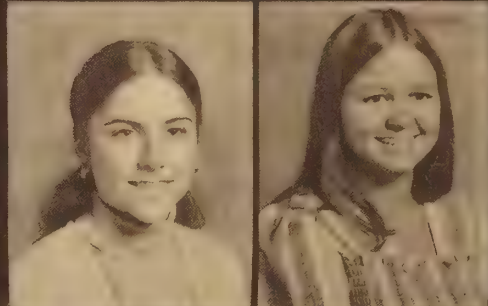
Karol Akers
Becky Armstrong



Rusty Jeter
President
Johnny Shumaker
Vice President



Kim McKinney
Treasurer
Angel Ambrose
Secretary



The end of summer vacation brought us back and eager to begin. As a result of class elections, Rusty Jeter became President. Homecoming arrived and brought hard work on the class float—"DEVILS STAND PROUD" Difficult labor paid off with a first place.

Many class members involved themselves in clubs and sports.

Then came drivers-ed, a unique experience for all. One semester resulted in a

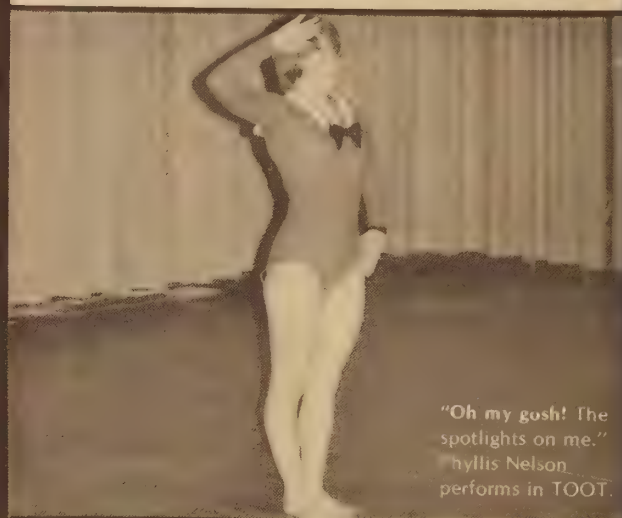
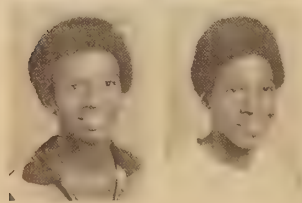
Bobby Anderson
Becky Aveson



Becky Atkins
Lisa Atkins



Raymond Atkins
Ervin Bagby



"Oh my gosh! The spotlights on me."
Thyllis Nelson
performs in TOOT.



Highland Springs
exchange student. Pam
Sink guides Kathy
Burlee.



Mike Bage
Robert Baker
Lucia Battle
Allen Baxter



Pearl Beane
Judy Bendle



Wayne Bendle
Jean Bentley
Becky Bonds
Jean Bowery



Avis Bowman
Kitty Brandon



Vicky Branham
Darnell Brooks
Carla Brown
Carol Brown



Donnie Brown
Joyce Brown



Working diligently
Robbin Mobley tries
hard to meet a deadline.



Linda Brown
Rafeal Brown



Tricia Brown
Vicki Brown



Wallace Bryant
Patrice Burrell



Star Canada
Bobby Carter
Majorie Carter
Tammy Christian



James Clapp
Linwood Clayton



Jeff Coçkrum
Brenda Colgin
Kenneth Collier
Danny Conway



Susan Cook
Scott Copeland



Debbie Cordle
Melinda Craft
Robert Crittenden
Bernard Cullingsworth



JoAnn Dandridge
Brigitta Daniels

HARD LIFE

Betty Dunn
Jeneine Dunnigan



Sharon Elgert
Johnny Ellerson



Karen Dowdy
Dennis Dowling
Dennise Dowling
Kay Downs



Debbie Duvall
Warren Dyson
Susie Early
Mike Eckel



Barbara Englehart
Edna Englehart
Edward Englehart
Robert Fenne

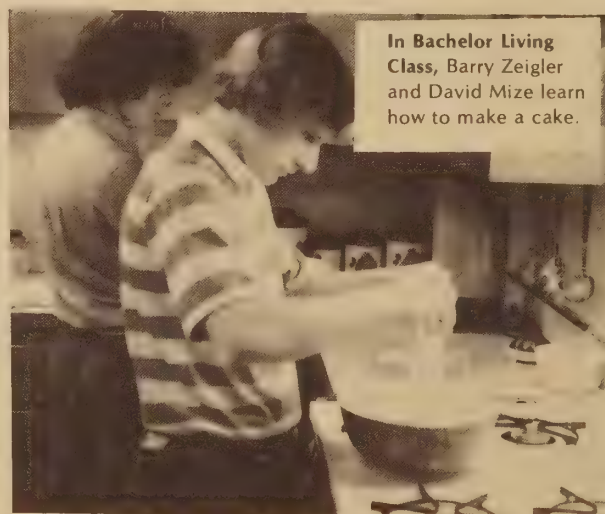


rash of excited "driving teenagers."

With the new curriculum, hordes participated in Algebra II with its theroms and sequences a confusing an complicated business.

Then came Coach Sanderford and his frogs and slimy earthworms, and experience none of us would soon forget.

SODA tapped several sophs who spent their school days helping elementary students

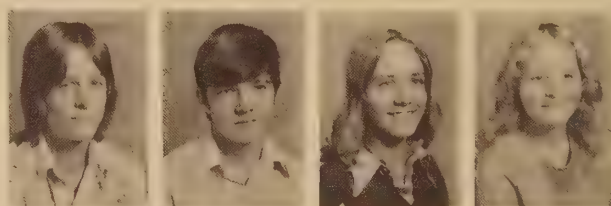


In Bachelor Living Class, Barry Zeigler and David Mize learn how to make a cake.

Mark Ferguson
Tim Folland



Barry Foreman
Clay Foster
Cathy Freeburger
Sandy Friedhoff



Rocky Garland
Horce Givens



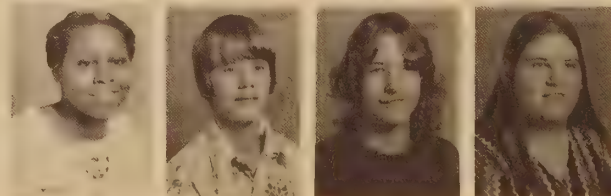
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Howard Goodloe
Ray Gratz
Bonnie Gray



Bill Guard
Carl Haislip



Richette Haywood
Burt Hazlewood
Jimmy Heagle
Linda Hemp





Anthony Hensley
Gregory Hensley
Charlotte Herring
Debbie Hicks



Bill Holmes
Susan Homa
Glenda Howard
Bobby Hughes



Tina Johnson
Becki Johnson
Robert Johnson
Shelia Johnson



Stephanie Higgins
Cheryl Hollaway



Sarah Jackson
Donald Johnathan



Vicky Johnson
Cindy Jones



Debbie Jones
Dennis Jordan



Brenda Kahl
David King



Bobby Kipps
Steve Kidd



Chris Little
Nita Long



Chris Martin
Howard Martin



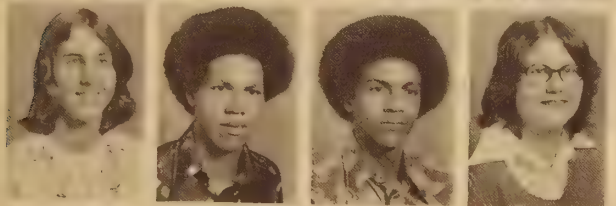
Matthew Miles
Diane Miller



Another Mr. Hyde!
Kent Stegner
demonstrates his
techniques to Wallace
Bryant.



Glenn Klausen
Chris Lee
Kevin Lee
Scott Liles



Janet Madison
Royal Manley
William Manley
Karen Marciniak



Paula McGhee
Tim Meadows
Robin Melvin
Calvin Miffin

AT LAST



Susan Mountcastle
Chris Mowbray



Donald Noble
Regina Overby

David Mize
Robbin Mobley
Pat Mooney
Wade Moore



Cindy Mowbray
Shelly Mulik
Phyllis Nelson
David Noble



Meredith Park
Debbie Pavlovich
Jeffrey Pettiford
Cindy Pickney



develop better attitudes.

Sophomores now began getting ready for the Prom where they would add to the festivities as servers. Time for class ring orders came, bringing the excitement of choosing favorite styles and stones.

Exams loomed ahead, and everyone realized school was almost over. The year had been successful and exciting, and everyone left with a little more knowledge and experience.

Trying to power punch into pop bottles, Barry Ziegler and Stephanie Higgins throw their hands up in despair.



Danny Pike
Mark Plaster



Randy Ramey
Terri Rapp



Peggy Robins
R.L. Rowsey

James Poulin
Larry Preston
Debbie Pryor
Lori Raetting



Ronnie Redford
Mary Reynolds
Laurie Rice
Carol Robinson



Allyson Rudacille
Duane Ruff
Carol Ryder
Kitty Sanderlin





Susan Sandford
Terry Satterwhite
Chris Shaw
Donna Shope



Kim Smith
Sharon Smith
Steve Smith
Dale Sorensen



Brent Stegner
Ralph Swanson
Garland Tate
Bruce Taylor



Sophomores
Nicie Isbell and
Cathy
Freeburger serve
cake, punch
and mints at the
Junior-Senior
Prom.



Rhonda Tyler
Barbara Wade
Andy Walker
Bobby Walker



Karen Wagner
John Weaver
Dana Williams



Wanda Wilson
Wayne Wingfield
Herbert Woods
Dee Dee Yates



Pam Sink
Bill Slaughter



Linda Shufflebarger
Sidney Stanley



Ricky Testerman
Mitchell Thimsen



Pat Thompson
John Tobin



Brenda Toler
Donna Trail



Kay Trickey
Joseph Tyler



Mary Walker



Valarie Wills
Lee Wilson



Sandra Young,
Barry Zeigler

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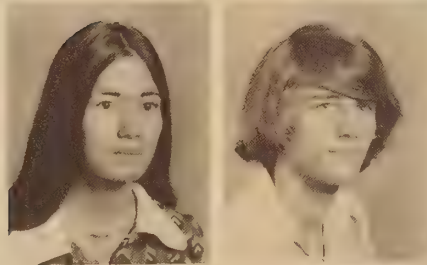
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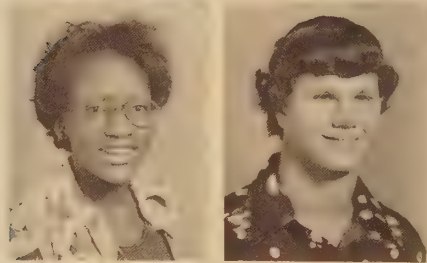
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Patrice Altman
Lloyd Ambrose
Dawn Atkins
Steve Atkins



Patty Ayers
Randy Bagley



Joyce Barbour
Jimmy Barden



Virgie Barlow
Debbie Barnes



Debbie Battle
Tami Baxter
Carter Beattie
Donna Beers
Randy Beninghove



"Who do I throw the ball to?" Kyle Robbins looks a bit confused.

WITH TOP PRIZES!!

Oh, what joy! The juniors, just like everyone else, returned to the VHS campus with a bit of reluctance. However, things soon got rolling and anticipation for class rings turned into cries of "Where are our rings?"

They finally arrived at the end of September. Junior hands started flashing and just a few boys lost their rings to their girlfriends the first week.

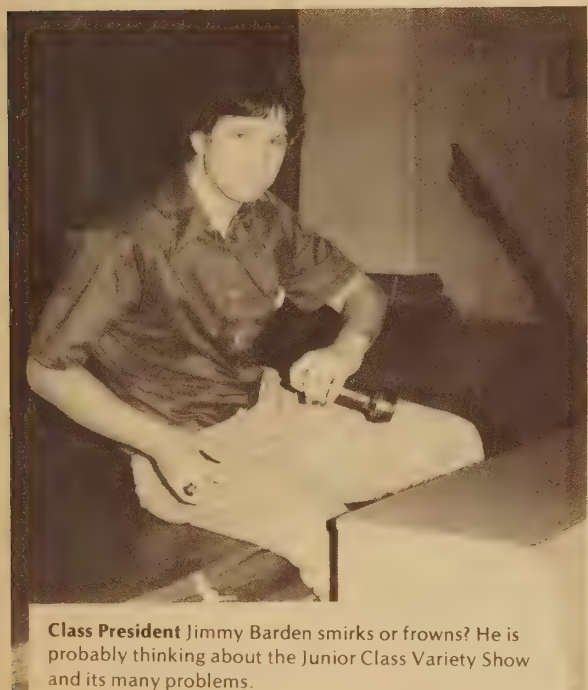
Next on the agenda was a homecoming float.



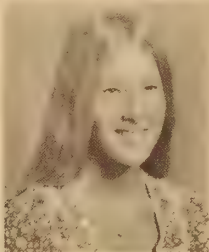
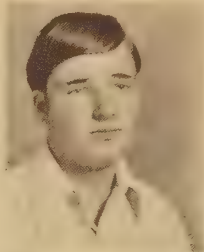
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Gilbert Bland
Tommy Bowen



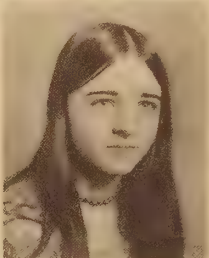
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Wanda Bowery
Raymond Bragg



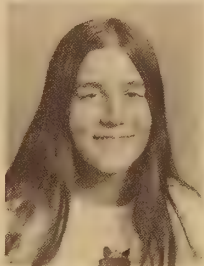
Class President Jimmy Barden smirks or frowns? He is probably thinking about the Junior Class Variety Show and its many problems.



Bennie Bridgewater
Kathy Brittle



Jim Burton
Sheri Brooks

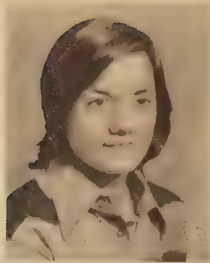


Suzanne Brooks
Tina Brooks



Doug Brown
Kevin Burnette
Kevin Canfield
Michael Carlton
Lynne Chandler

Judy Cheatham
Bert Childress
Lori Clay



Susan Coe
Jimmy Conway
Paul Cooley



Themes for the float were hard to come by, but "Smoke the Warriors" finally beat all. Much of hard work and a few mishaps combined to give the juniors a 3rd place win. This was the 3rd consecutive win for the juniors in Homecoming Float competition. Not bad!

Plans were soon made for the Junior-Faculty basketball game which was to be held in December. It arrived all too soon, and the faculty

ON TOP AGAIN AS

Richard Cordle
Randy Crabtree



Sharon Crawford
Mike Crigger



Tommy Critz
Peggy Cunningham



Chris Davis
Ray Davis
Becky Dawson
Dallas Dowling
Chris Durgin



Laughing in her face Janice Skipper harasses Miss Edward.





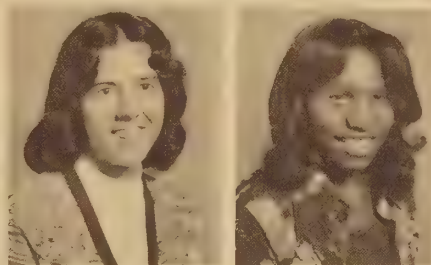
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Lewis Fields
Lynda Fleming
Bubba Ford
Lynn Garrett



Freddie Gay
Harold Gay
Sherman Geer
Gene Gibson

IN YEARS PAST!

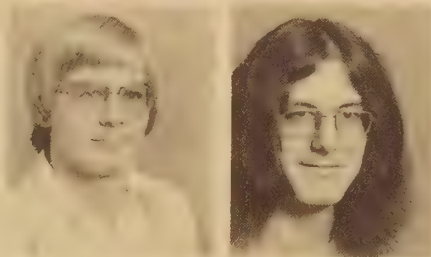
"What's happening?" Carter Beattie opens the door to the darkroom and the sun hits her in the face.



Diane Gillend
Karen Goode



Joy Gratz
Bobby Gray



Don Grivetti
Marvin Haislip



Mike Haislip
Mike Harding
Debbie Harper
Bruce Henderson
Tony Henriques

Shirley Hicks
Teresa Hicks
Cheryl Hite
Kenny Holley
J.C. Horton



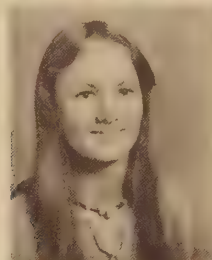
Donna Hughes
Darlene Hylton



Norris Jackson
Lester Jenkins



Karen Jenness
Stuart Johns



Proving her skill as a Kung Fu Fighter, Debbie Barnes shows her talent in Spotlight '76.

NEEDED - MONEY M

Howard Johnson
Michelle Johnson
Jill Johnston
Chip Jones
Debbie Kelson



Darlene Kichta
Robin King
Mike Kirby
Fred Knoche
Thane Koontz





Ricky LeBleu
Carol Lindsey
Mike Logan
Mike Madison
Teresa Major



Singing their hearts out, Tami Baxter and DeeDee Yates harmonize well.



Ronnie Manley
Bland Marlowe



Brenda Marshall
Tony Martin



Cathey Massengale
Scott Mattee

NEY MONEY MONEY

showed their skill on the basketball court by winning.

The Junior Class Variety Show arrived early this year, coming in January because of heavy scheduling in other months. Mr. Gary Stauffer sponsored the show, which soon got underway. Tryouts were held before Christmas vacation and the show took to the stage on January 17th. Hours of hard work went into the show and tri-chairmen Randy Bagley, Kathy Potter, and Becky



David Maxey
Gleen McCune
Ginny McGee



Harry McGirt
Robin Melton
Gene Mickles

Danny Mihalcoe
Richard Miller
Richard Mitterer



Curtis Moore
David Morris
Debbie Mowbray



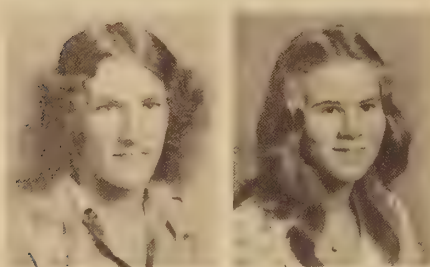
Dawson breathed a sigh of relief when the final curtain fell on a spectacularly successful show.

With spring came all sorts of events for the juniors. The spring musical was in full swing, and juniors made up a large portion of the cast. Spring sports could not have functioned without many junior supporters and star players.

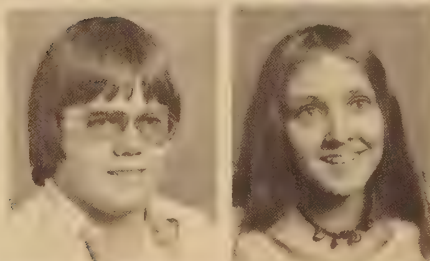
Money soon became a problem as the prom date hit the juniors right in the face. The prom date was May 13, and money was everpresent in all minds, so with a little knowledge

COMPLICATIONS

Johnny Mulik
Ellen Nilson



Walt Norwood
Rhonda Oliver



Ricky Osbourne
Chris Parker



Jerry Pendleton
Stevie Petzer



Shedding that old hot tux, Ronnie Saunders cannot stand the heat any longer.



Roy Phaup
Kathy Potter
James Pryor
Melissa Ragsdale
Mark Reed



Patricia Regali
Mark Renick
Phyllis Richardson
Patty Ricker
David Robbins

ARE OVERCOME



Kent Robbins
Kyle Robbins



Ray Robbins
Joey Rouse



Denise Ruff
David Sangster



Charles Schesvener
Jonathan Schmick

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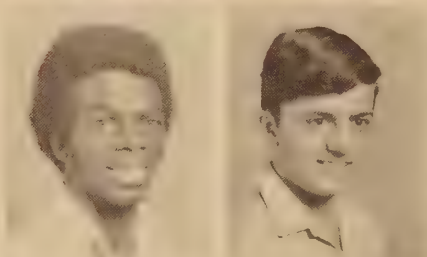
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Lisa Shearin
Leslie Shelton
Karen Sheppard
Bill Shumaker



Kenny Shumaker
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Janice Skipper
Sharon Small
Paul Smith



Raymond Smith
Marvin Snyder



Carol Sorenson
Mark Sykes



Mark Thomas
Danny Thorpe



Harold Tinnell
Toby Tobin
Vernon Tyler
Delores Vaughn
Melvin Wade



Standing, dancing, listening, stomping, everyone listens intently to the music of "Passage"

SENIORS HONORED

and a lot of hopes, plans got underway. "Passage" was chosen as the band, and things started rolling.

Two weeks before the big night, juniors could be seen painting, hammering, taping, screaming, and laughing. Many other assorted odds and ends could be heard also.

Complications arose as we found the fire chief down our backs about one thing or another, but all held up except our crepe paper clouds in the sky. Those were fixed — and not too soon — for the big night had arrived.

"Stairway to Heaven"

was the chosen theme and was carried out through the smallest stairway and palace. All the sweat and tears had paid off!

Our last stretch home and school would be over. Class Day was the big event for juniors as they were changed from lowly peons to the grand title of seniors.

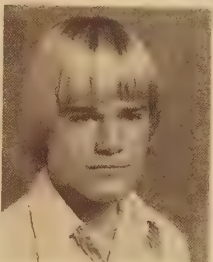
Everyone breathed a sigh of relief because it felt so great to be leaving school, but there was a touch of expectancy in the air for the big year to come.



Junior class marshalls Tommy Critz and Glen McCune await the signal to bring the seniors onto the field.



David Walker
Stuart Walton



W.H. Walton
Burney Waring



Valerie Watkins
Charles Welch



Betty Wells
Eva West



Amy Wilson
Travis Wood



Jeri Wright
Butch Young



Mike Young

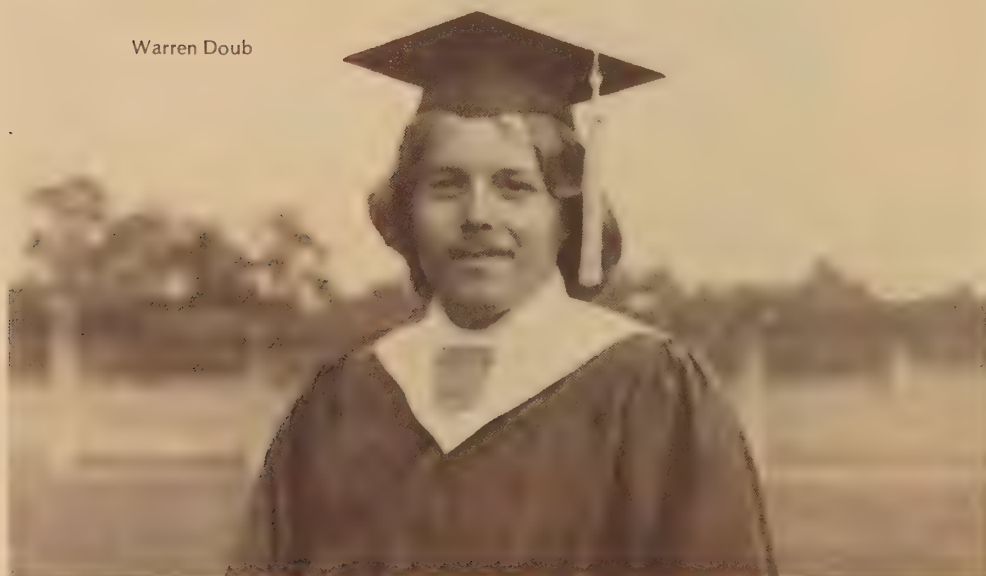


Donna Smith



Patty Shumaker

SENIORS . . . The Ten Most Outstanding



Warren Doub



Lissie Reid



Duane Ragsdale



Amy Powers



Ray Blunt



Buddy Martin



Charlotte Reynolds

Representing Varina's elite, ten seniors were selected as the most outstanding. These ten seniors were chosen by a panel of teachers on the basis of leadership, scholarship, character, and teachers' selection. The group was announced during both Class Day and graduation ceremonies.

After many years of hard work and memorable experiences, the Class of '76 embarked upon its final voyage. Striving to overcome all obstacles, the class sailed toward its debarkation point of graduation.

As the year began, seniors found themselves involved in the usual activities. Sports dominated the scene, as outstanding seniors sought to earn athletic recognition. Along with fall sports

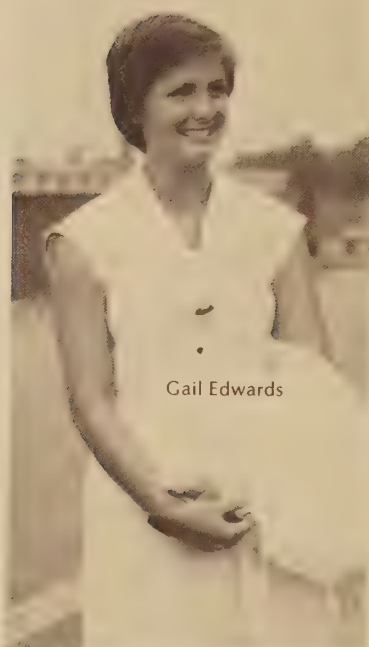


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Charles Crawford



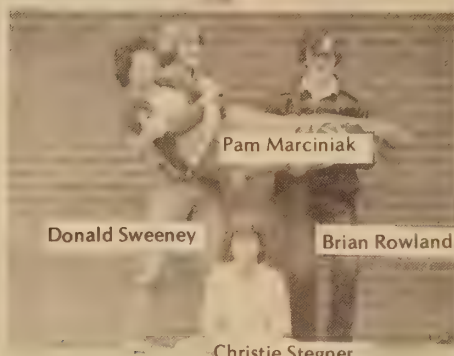
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Tim Mulvin



Cliff Canter



Pam Marciniak

Donald Sweeney

Brian Rowland

Christie Stegner



Cheryl Harlow

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Sherry Adams

JoAnne Alexander

Kathy Allen

Marquita Allen

Barry Ashlin

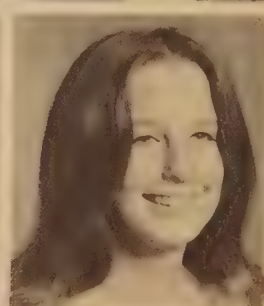
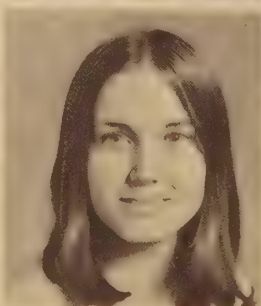
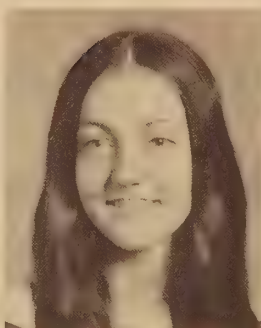
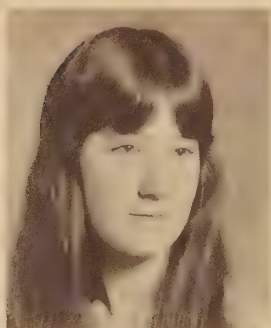
Tim Ashlin

Joyce Atkins

Robin Baker

Keith Beers

Mary Belvin





Susan Cannon

Kim Gooch



George Shaw



Susan Kesler

Peggy Ellis

Beatriz Alves



Kathy Guard

Debbie Blackwell

Ray Blunt

Darlene Bohr

Mark Boshier

Walter Boswell

Leonard Bottoms

Harris Bowling

Christi Bridgers



SHERRY LYNNE ADAMS
SCA 1-4, Pep Club 3-4,
Red Cross 1, FBLA 3-4,
Girls Track 2, Chorus
1-2, MC Homecoming 4
JO ANNE ALEXANDER
SCA 1-4, FBLA 3, FHA
1-2, Pep Club 1-2, DA
Staff 3

KATHY LANELL ALLEN
SCA 1-4, Girls Track 2
MARQUITA ANN ALLEN
SCA 1-4

BARRY FRANKLIN ASHLIN
SCA 1-4, Football 1-4
TIMOTHY KENT ASHLIN
SCA 1-4, DECA 3-4, Band 1-2
JOYCE ELAINE ATKINS
SCA 1-4, Drama Club 1,
3, Pep Club 1, FBLA 1,
3, Class Sec. 1, Chorus
1, Cheerleader 1, 3
ROBIN LYNN BAKER
SCA 1-4, COE 3-4

KEITH WAYNE BEERS
SCA 1-4
MARY ALICE BELVIN
SCA 1-4, FBLA 1

DEBBIE LYNN BLACKWELL
SCA 1-4, FBLA 3, Foreign
Cultures 2-3, Track 3,
Majorette 2-4, Trea 4
RAYMOND WAYNE BLUNT
SCA 1-4, Pres 4, Art
Club 2-3, Drama Club 3-4,
"MASH" 4, Musical 3-4,
Thespians 3-4, Track 2,
Best All-Round Thespians,
Chorus 1-4, NHS 4

DARLENE ROMAINE BOHR
SCA 1-4, Foreign Cultures
2-4, FBLA 4

MARK STEVEN BOSHER
SCA 1-4, Basketball 1-4,
MVP 4, Track 4

WALTER HENRY BOSWELL, JR
SCA 1-4, FBLA 3-4, Region
Pres 4, Baseball 2

LEONARD LEE BOTTOMS, III
SCA 1-4, Key Club 3-4,
Foreign Cultures 3-4, Foot-
ball 2-4, Track 2, Wrestling
3

HARRIS FERGUSON BOWLING
SCA 1-4

CHISTI ELLEN BRIDGERS
SCA 1-4

BELINDA JEAN BRIZENDINE

SCA 1-4, Foreign Cultures
2-4, JA 2, Thespians 4,
Hist 4, SODA 4, Drama
Club 3-4, Treas 4, Class
Sec 3, 4, "MASH" 4, Musical
4, Miss Varina Pageant 2,
Miss Congeniality

SAM STEVE BRODIN

SCA 1-4

BENJAMIN MORGAN BROOKS

SCA 1-4, Sears Teen
Board 4, House of Del 4,
SODA 3-4

CHARLES EDWARD BUFFIN

SCA 1-4

VALERIE VERITA BURGESS

SCA 1-4

BRENDA LEE BUTLER

SCA 1-4

DENNIS RAY CAMPBELL

SCA 1-4, FBIA 3, Base-
Ball 2-4

SUSAN LYNNE CANNON

SCA 1-4, Beta 3-4, NHS
3-4, Red Cross 1, Foreign
Cultures 1, Track 2-3,
Cheerleader 2, 4, Home-
coming Court 4

PAUL CLIFFORD CANTER, III

SCA 1-4, VICA 3

JANET LAVALLE CARLISLE

SCA 1-4

MARK DWAYNE CARTER

SCA 1-4, Football 1-4,
Basketball 1, Baseball

1-4, MVP 2, Soccer 4

SANDRA LEE CASH

SCA 1-4, Cheerleader 2

WILLIAM LEWIS CHILDRESS, JR.

SCA 1-4

DAVID LESLIE CLARK

SCSA 1-4

CHARLES ODIS CRAWFORD, JR.

SCA 1-4, Off. Aid 1-4

BRANDA KAY CUNNINGHAM

SCA 1-4, FHA 1-2

RODNEY LORANZA DAMRON

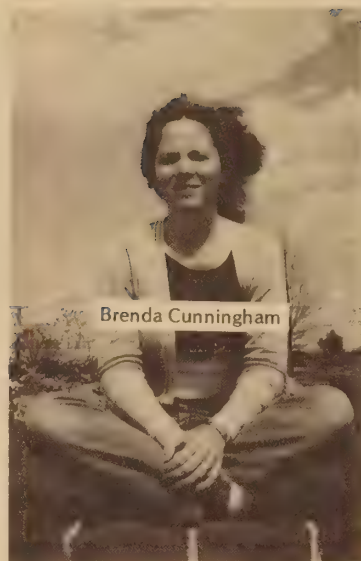
SCA 1-4, Basketball 1-4

BRENDA DARLENE DANIELS

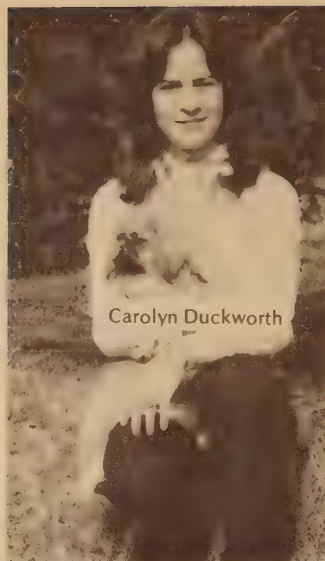
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1-3, Class Treas. 3,

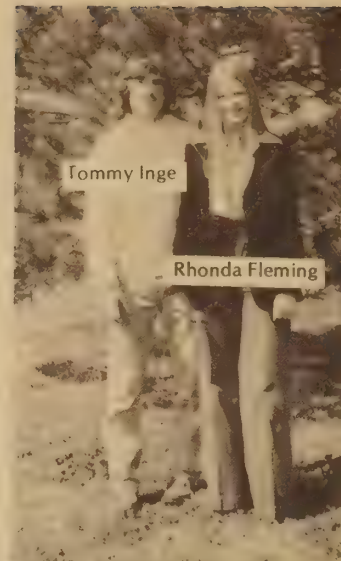
Homecoming Court 4



Brenda Cunningham



Carolyn Duckworth



Tommy Inge

Rhonda Fleming



Brenda Daniels

Beth Hardisty



Belinda Brizendine

Cindy Greene

Robin Kyle

Debbie Groome

Belinda Brizendine

Sam Brodin

Ben Brooks

Charles Buffin

Valerie Burgess

Brenda Butler

Dennis Campbell

Susan Cannon





Kenny Elgert



Rodney Damron

came Homecoming. An emotional night, the Homecoming football game ended in a crowd-pleasing victory. Excited students let their pressures escape at the Homecoming Dance given in honor of Queen Yvette Howey. Proud of all student talents, many seniors put their acting ability to use in M*A*S*H. Many nights of long rehearsals made the show a smash comedy. Seniors didn't stop with M*A*S*H, however. Superb work, both onstage and offstage made such hit plays possible as "The Bicentennial Christmas" play,



Valerie Burgess

Frances James

Charlotte Martin

Cliff Canter

Janet Carlisle

Dwayne Carter

Sandra Cash

William Childress

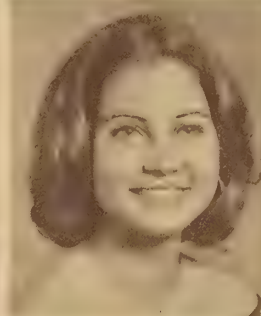
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Brenda Daniels





Julie Platt

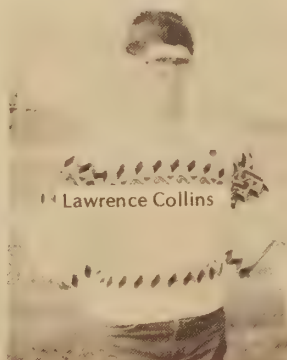
Vickie Strickler



Kathy Tolley



Judy Rasnic



Lawrence Collins



Darlene Bohr

Mary Robinson

Sandra Cash

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James Davis

Jennifer Davis

Mary Anne Davis

Nancy Davis

John Dean

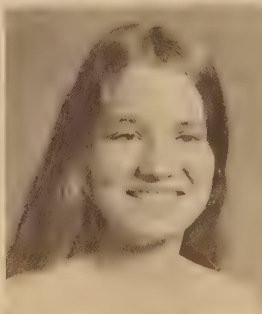
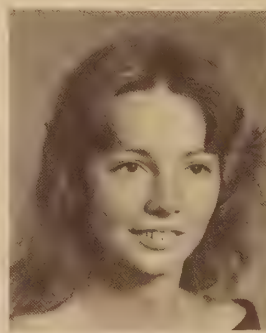
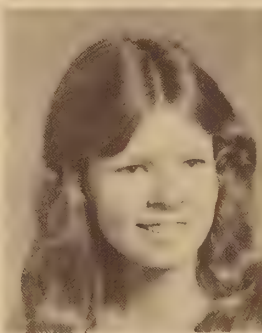
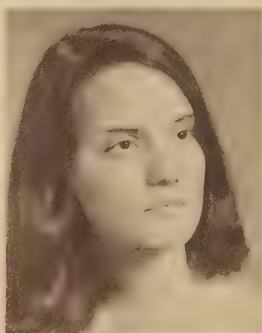
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Carolyn Duckworth

Anne East

Gail Edwards

Kenny Elgert





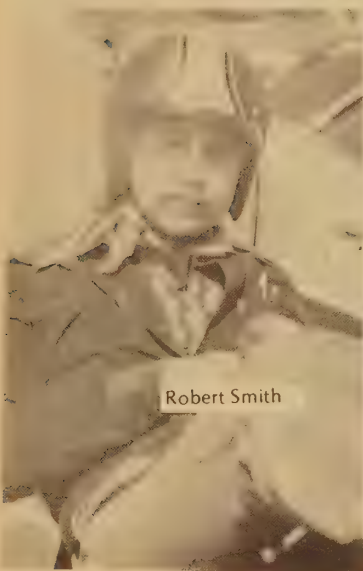
Mary Tucker

Sandy Vaughn

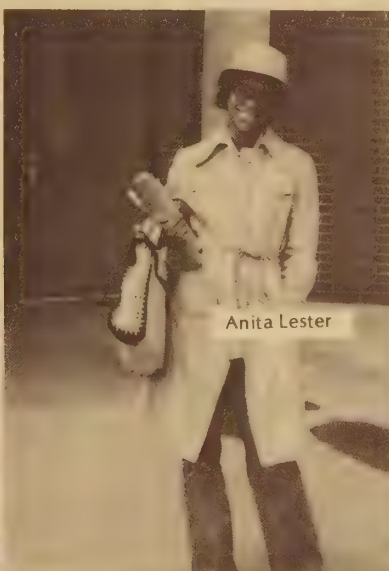
"Ile," and "Little Mary Sunshine."

Club activities enabled many class members to win recognition. Such active organizations as FBLA and VICA participated in state and national events. Younger clubs also contributed to Varina's well-being. The ever-active SODA organization helped to insure the stability of future Varinians.

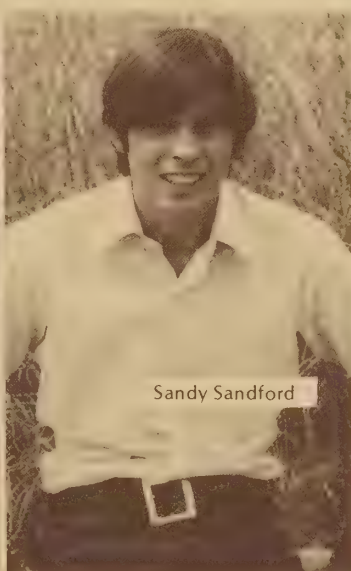
Seniors planned and executed many activities. Among the most successful was the Powder Puff Football game. More of a power show than a ladies' game, several senior girls



Robert Smith



Anita Lester



Sandy Sandford

Joy Elliott

Jay Ellis

Peggy Ellis

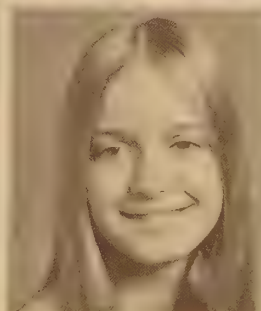
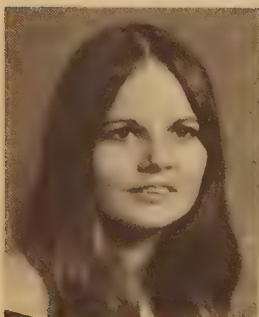
Floyd Engsheart

Thomas Eubank

Timothy Ferrell

Nita Fields

Rhonda Fleming



JAMES DAVIS

SCA 1-4

JENIFER DAVIS

SCA 1-4

MARY ANNE DAVIS SCA 1-4,

FBLA 3, FHA 1-4, VICA 4,

Paradox 3-4, Asst. Ed. 4, Track 3

NANCY DAVIS

SCA 1-4

JOHN AYLETT DEAN

SCA 1-4

WARREN THOMAS DOUB

SCA 1-4, ICC 3-4, Beta 3-4, Key

Club 2-4, VP 3, Pres. 4, Foreign

Cultures 3, NHS 3-4, Football 1,

Basketball 1-4, Baseball 1-4, Tri-

cap. 2, 4

CAROLYN PAIGE DUCKWORTH

SCA 1-4, Rep. 3, ICC 4, FBLA 3-

4, Pep Club 1-3, Basketball 1-2,

Track 1, 3, Variety Show 3

ANNE MARIE EAST SCA 1-4,

Pep Club 2, Flying Club 4

WAND GAIL EDWARDS

SCA 1-4, FBLA 3-4, Pep Club 3,

DA 4, Class Treas. 2, Basketball

1-2, Band 1-2, Homecoming

Court 4

KENNETH WARREN ELGERT

SCA 1-4, Boy's State 3, Football

4, Basketball 1-2, Cross Country

1-3, Track 1-4, Indoor Track 4,

Who's Who Among Amer. High

School Students

JOY LYNN ELLIOTT

SCA 1-4, BETA 3-4, Track 2-4

JAY NORMAN ELLIS

SCA 1-4, Rep. 4, Key Club 2-4,

Foreign Cultures 2-3, Boy's state

3, Drama 4, Track 1-3, Cross

Country 2-4, Soccer 2-4, MASH

4, Musical 4

PEGGY LYNN ELLIS

SCA 1-4, Treas. 3, Beta 3-4, Red

Cross 1-3, Pep Club 1-4, Foreign

Cultures 1-3, SODA 2-4, Art Club

4, VICA 4, Class VP 2,

Cheerleader 1-2, 4, Co-cap 2

FLOYD LEE ENGLEHART

SCA 1-4

THOMAS LEE EUBANK

SCA 1-4

TIMOTHY KEITH FERRELL

SCA 1-4, VICA 3-4

MARIA ARNITA FIELDS

SCA 1-4, Basketball 1-2, Track 1-

4

RHONDA JEAN FLEMING

SCA 1-4, Beta 3-4, Foreign

Cultures 3, SODA 4,

Homecoming Court 4

ROBERT ANDREW FOOTE
SCA 1-4, VICA 3-4,
Baseball 1-3, Basket-
ball 1

DONALD RAY FOREMAN
SCA 1-4, VICA 3-4, Tennis
1-2

BRETTA MARIE FRIZZELL
SCA 1-4

LISA KIMBERLY FUSSELL
SCA 1-4, FBLA 4, Track
2, Foreign Cultures 3

RHONDA LYNNE GILLEND
SCA 1-4, FBLA 4, Pep
Club 1, VICA 3

ROBIN ELIZABETH GILMORE
SCA 1-4, FBLA 4, FHA 3,
Foreign Cultures 1, Flag
Twirler 2

RICHARD KARL GOERGNER
SCA 1-4

JENNIFER STEVENS GOOCH
SCA 1-4, Band 1-4, TOOT
2, 4

KIMBERLY GOOCH
SCA 1-4, Rep. 1, ICC 2,
Beta Club 3-4, NHS 4,
Key Club Sweetheart 4,
Drama 2-3, DA Staff 1,
Foreign Cultures 1-3,
Cheerleader 2-4, Variety
Show 3, Student Gov't
Day 4, Homecoming Court
4

MARY ELIZABETH GOOCH
SCA 1-4, Rep. 1-2, Beta
4, NHS 4, Varinian 1-4
Bus. Ed. 4, Band 1-4, TOOT
2-4, Who's Who Among Music
Students in Amer. 4

MELISSA JEAN GRADY
SCA 1-4, Beta 4
Foreign ultures 4,5, Thespian 1-4,
Drama 1-3, 1st Runner-up
Richmond Junior Miss Pageant
4, In Scholastic Achievement
Award 4, Miss Congeniality 4

CYNTHIA GAY GREENE
SCA 1-4, SODA 3-4
Chorus 4

DAVID LEROY GREENE
SCA 1-4

DEBORAH JEAN GROOME
SCA 1-4, Rep. 1-2, FHA
1, Foreign Cultures 2-
4, Tennis 1-3, Home-
coming Court 4

KATHERINE FRANCES GUARD
SCA 1-4, Art Club 3-4,
VP 4, Basketball 2,
Track 1

LARRY DEAN HAGY
SCA 1-4, JA 2, DA Staff
2-3, Paradox 3, VP DECA
3, Communications 2-3,
Student Gov't Day 4

REBECCA LEE HALLER
SCA 1-4, Pep Club 2, JA
2, Chorus 1-2

ROBIN LOUISE HAMPTON
SCA 1-4



Yvonne Morrell



Ellen Rose



Pam Marciniak



Dwayne Carter

Buddy Martin

Andy Foote

Donald Foreman

Bretta Frizzell

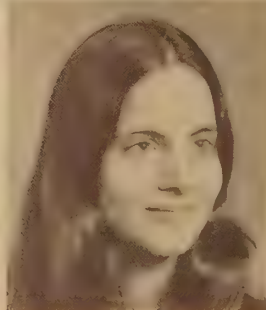
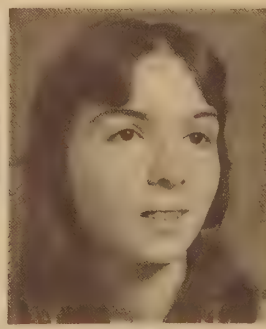
Lisa Fussell

Rhonda Gillend

Robin Gilmore

Richard Goergner

Jennifer Gooch





Peggy McLemore



Karen Shufflebarger

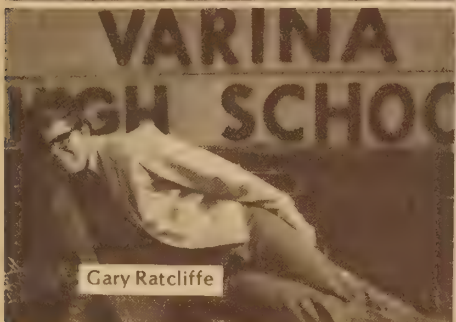
Debbie Walton

came out of the game with injuries that would make even football players envious.

As the year drew to a close, seniors prepared for graduation services. Class Day, the first of the three exercises, arrived with many awards for seniors. Baccalaureate, next on the agenda, provided a chance for graduating seniors to receive the blessing of community spiritual leaders. With graduation less than a day away, some class members loaded



George McGhee



Gary Ratcliffe



Melissa Grady

Judy Ragsdale

Brenda Wilson

Kim Gooch

Beth Gooch

Melissa Grady

David Green

Cindy Greene

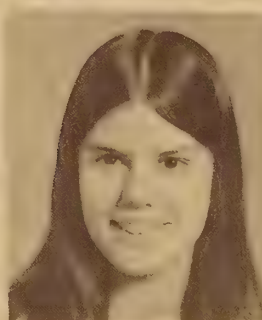
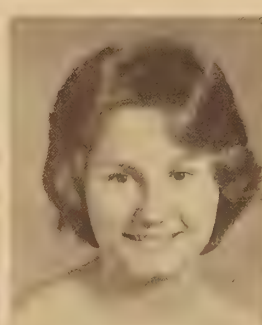
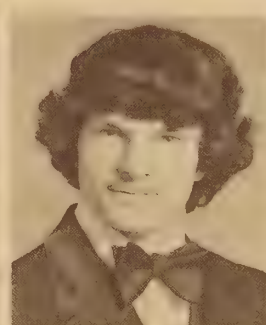
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Becky Haller

Robin Hampton

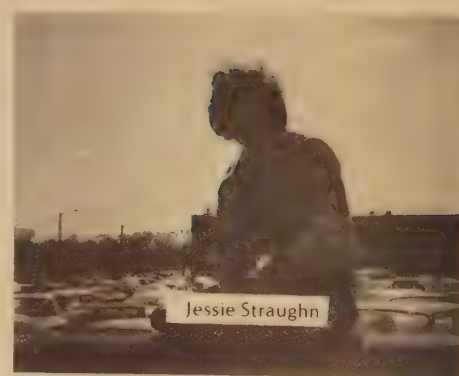


their cars and headed for Lake Reynovia. Here seniors swam and had a picnic. With their tensions released, all prepared for an eventful evening.

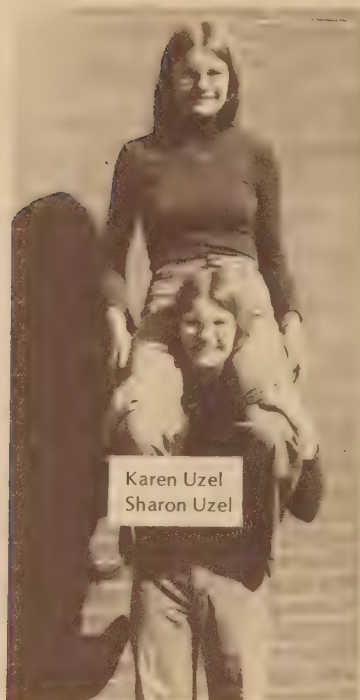
Graduation arrived, accompanied by its old friend, "Pomp and Circumstance." As over two hundred seniors marched onto the football field, praying for a clear evening, parents and relatives sat crying or cheering in the stands. As scholarships and other



Albert Wood



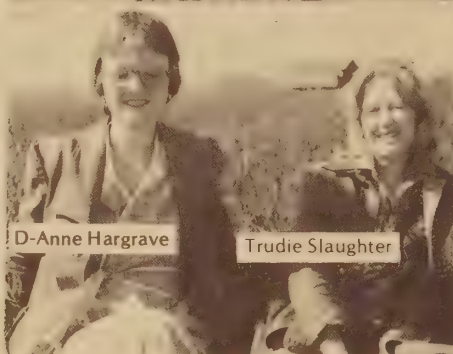
Jessie Straughn



Karen Uzel
Sharon Uzel



Kim Gooch



D-Anne Hargrave

Trudie Slaughter



Tim Winks

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Donna Haslett

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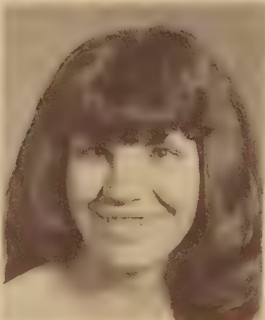
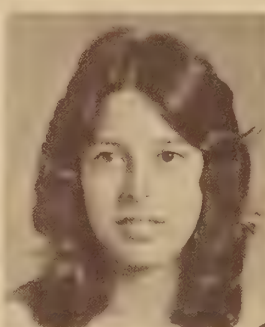
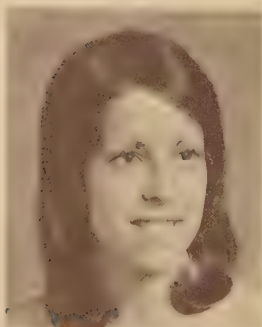
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Wayne Hare

Ted Helmick

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Jon Henderson

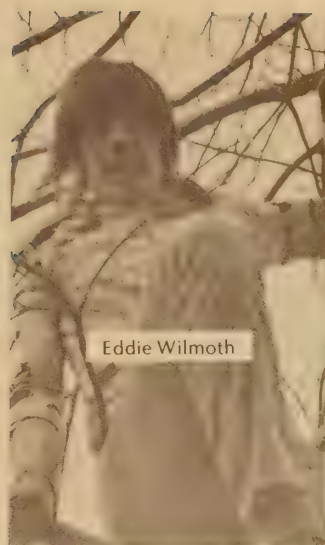




Ronnie Wright

Philip Martin

Mark Poole



Eddie Wilmoth

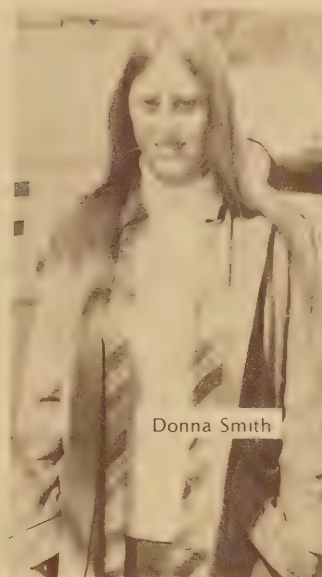


Jimmy Shook

Gary Turner

Steve Plaster

David White



Donna Smith

Eugene Henry

Sharon Hepner

Jane Hicks

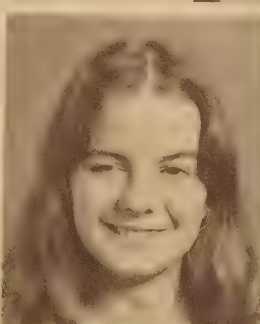
Rachael Hodges

Janet Horsley

Yvette Howey

Sharon Hughes

Wendy Hurley



CYNTHIA DIANE HARDING
SCA 1-4

ELIZABETH GIAL HARDING
SCA 1-4, Sec. 4, Foreign
Cultures 2, Pep Club 1,
Cultures 2, Pep Club 1,
JA 2, Chorus 1-4, Treas.
4, Musical 3, Homecoming
Court 4

MARY BETH HARDISTY
SCA 1-4, FBIA 3-4,
Basketball 2-3, Chorus
1-2

MICHAEL WAYNE HARE
SCA 1-4

DORIS ANN HARGRAVE
SCA 1-4, FHA 1, Art
Club 2

CHERYL LUNNE HARLOW
SCA 1-4, FHA 2-3, Pep
Club 2-3, Basketball 1,
Track 2-3, Chorus 1

DONNA ANN HASLETT
SCA 1-4

DAVID MICHAEL HEADDEN
SCA 1-4

TED MARTIN HELMICK
SCA 1-4, Football 2-4,
Foreign Cultures 3-4,
Track 1-4, Soccer 3-4,
Band 1

JON WORNOM HENDERSON
SCA 1-4, Thespian 3-4,
Drama 3, Musical 3

JOHNNIE EUGENE HENRY
SCA 1-4, Art Club 1,
VICA 3-4

SHARON KAY HEPNER
SCA 1-4, Pep Club 1-2,
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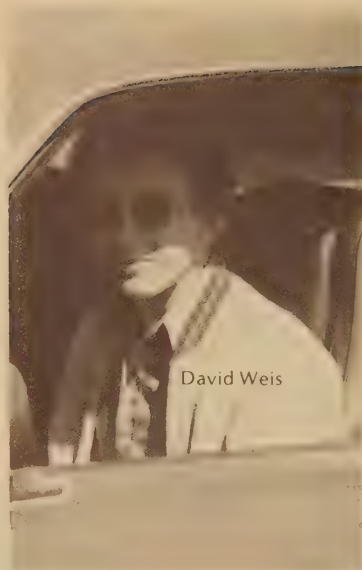
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SCA 1-4

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Twirler 2, Student Dir.
Variety Show 3, Home-
coming Queen 4

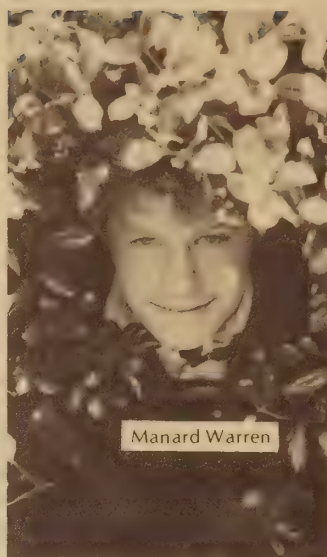
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manship 3

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3, Pres. 4

THOMAS WAYNE INGE
SCA 1-4, Track 1-4
CECELIA ANN JACKSON
SCA 1-4, FBLA 2-4,
Basketball 2
RHONDA DENISE JACKSON
SCA 1-4, FBLA 1-2, Drama
Club 2
FRANCES GWENDOLYN JAMES
SCA 1-4
LARRY DONELL JAMES
SCA 1-4
TINA MARIE JOHNSON
SCA 1-4, FBLA 3-4, Pep
Club 4, Beta 4, Foreign
Cultures 2, COE 4, Home-
coming Court 4
CLAY WESLEY JONES
SCA 1-4
MARSHA GAIL JONES
SCA 1-4, FBLA 3-4, Beta
3-4, NHS 4, Foreign
Cultures 2-4, DA Staff
3-4, Alternate girl's
state 3, Freedom Found.
Sem. 3
ANDREW LEE KELLEY, JR.
SCA 1-4
SUSAN MARIE KESLER
SCA 1-4, Art Club Pres.
4, Homecoming Court 4
ROBIN ANN KYLE
SCA 1-4, Tennis 3, MASH
4, Musical 4
DAWN RAE LAMMEY
SCA 1-4, FBLA 1, 3,
Drama 1, Band 1, Track
Mgr. 1, Flag Twirler 3-4
EDITH MAE LANGFORD
SCA 1-4,
RUSSELL EARL LANHAM
SCA 1-4, Football 1, 4,
Track 2-4
DEBRA HILL LANNING
SCA 1-4
ANITA JEAN LESTER
SCA 1-4
DEBORAH ANN LIGON
SCA 1-4, Pep Club 1-3,
Basketball 1-4, MVP 3,
Girls track 1-3, Band
1-4
JAMES RUSSELL LIND
SCA 1-4



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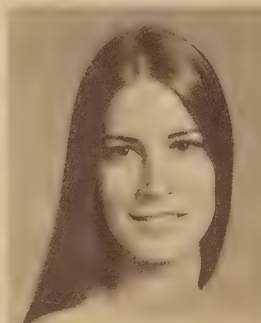
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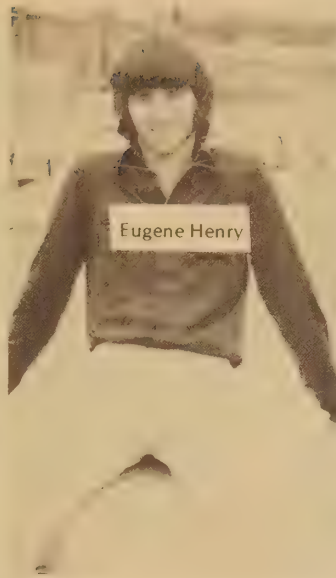
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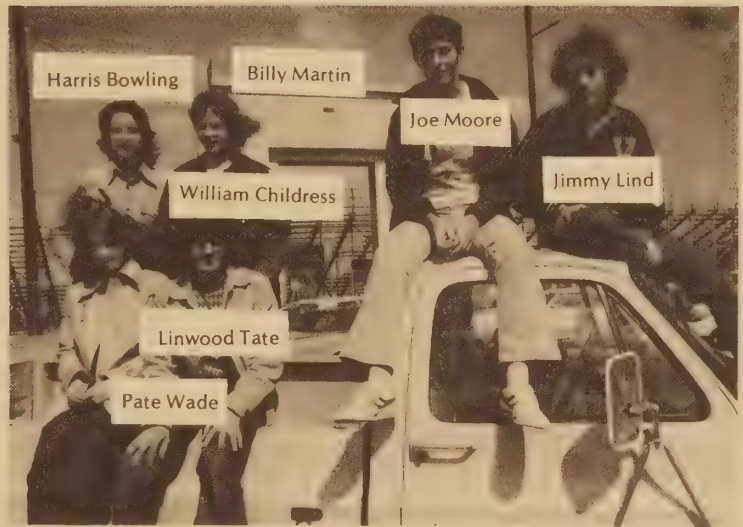
Susan Young



Eugene Henry

awards were presented, anxious hearts began beating with the thrill of accomplishment. With much fanfare, diplomas were presented. Realizing their great step forward, the new graduates proudly paraded off the field.

As the graduates left, many parents expressed their feelings. From the field was heard, "That's my boy!" Proud parents and happy children realized the importance of the evening and thanked all responsible. The door behind the graduates closed, sealing their education behind them.



Harris Bowling

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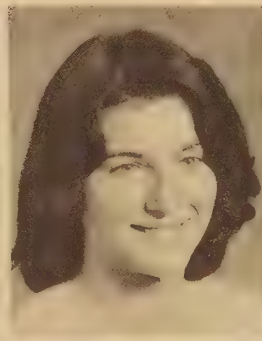
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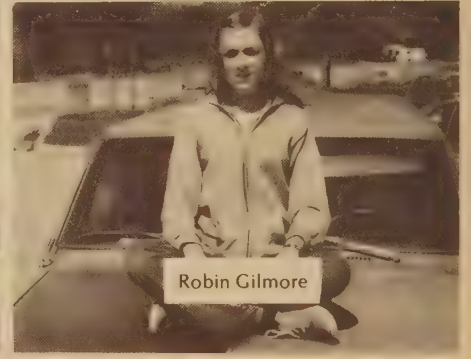
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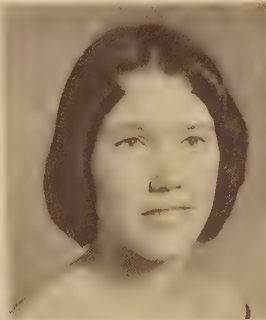
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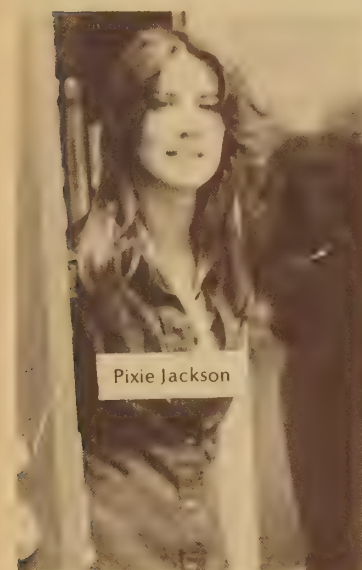
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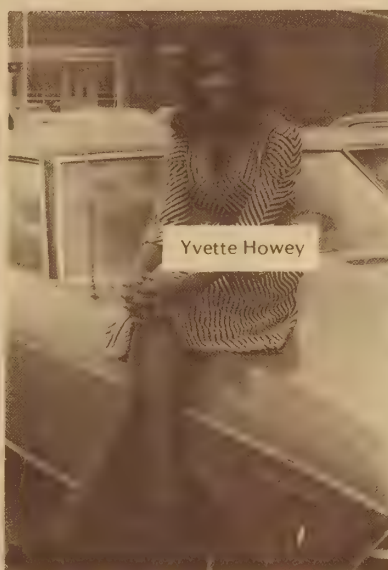
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Susan Kesler
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Dawn Marshall
Communications
Gary Ratcliffe
DECA
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VICA
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Vocal Ensemble
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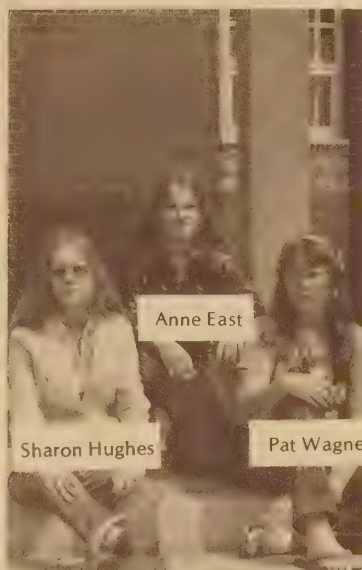
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SCA 1-4, FBLA 3-4, Sec 4,
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1-2, Foreign Cultures 1,
Pep Club 2, SODA 3-4, D.A.
Staff 2, Class Sgt.-at-arms
3, Flag twirler 3-4, Out-
standing twirler 4
BRADLEY THOMAS MARSHALL
SCA 1-4, Basketball 1-2,
Baseball 2, 4
CHERYL DAWN MARSHALL
SCA 1-4, ICC 4, Basketball,
Cap, MVP 2, V Basketball
1, 3-4, Band 1-4, Pres 4,
Who's Who Among Music Stu-
dents in American High Schools
3-4, All U.S.A. Band 3-4,
Musical 3-4
CHARLOTTE D. MARTIN
SCA 1-4
PATRICIA MARIE MARTIN
SCA 1-4, Rep 4, FHA 1,
JA 2, Drama 2, Flag twirler
4, Musical 4
PHILIP CHRISTOPHER MARTIN
SCA 1-4
WILLIAM DIXON MARTIN, JR.
SCA 1-4, Beta 3-4, Key
Club 3-4, Thespians 2-4,
VP 3, SODA 4, Drama 2-4,
Football 1-4, Soccer 2-4,
MIP 3, Tennis 1-3, Chorus
4, Musical 3-4, "MASH" 4,
ILE 4, THE MOUSETRAP 3
WILLIAM ROGER MARTIN
SCA 1-4
ELLETT RICHARD
MCGEORGE, III
SCA 1-4, Rep. 2, 4, Key
Club 3-4, SODA 3-4, Drama
4, MASH 4, Class Pres. 2,
Football 1-4, All-district
4, Basketball 1-4, Base-
ball 1-2, 4, Musical 4
GEORGE ELLIOTT MCGHEE
SCA 1-4
PEGGY ANNE MCLEMORE
SCA 1-4, Art Club 4,
Foreign Cultures 2,
Basketball 1-4, MVP 1,
Co-cap 1-4, Tennis 1-4,
Homecoming Court 4
DONNA MARIE MILLER
SCA 1-4, Rep. 1, Red
Cross 1-2, Pep Club 1-
4, Quill and Scroll 3,
Beta 3-4, FBLA 4, Para-
dox 3, Basketball 1-4,
MIP 3, Tri-cap 1, Cheer-
leader 4, Who's Who Among
Amer. High School Students
ROGER ALLEN MILLER, JR.
SCA 1-4
JOSEPH EDWARD MOORE
SCA 1-4, DA Staff 3,
Soccer 3-4, Cap. 4, MVP
4
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SCA 1-4



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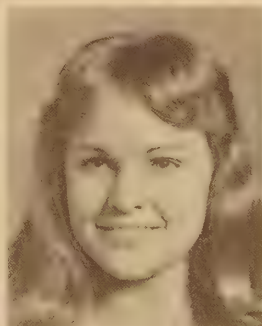
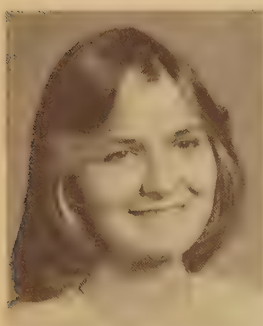
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Joe Moore

Richard Moore



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DONNA LEA MOSELEY
SCA 1-4

TIMOTHY MARK MULVIN
SCA 1-4, Musical 4, Bank 1-4, TOOT 3-4, SODA 4

ROSYLN PATRICE NEBLETT
SCA 1-4

BLAIR HEARN NELSEN

SCA 1-4, VP 3, ICC 3-4, Pres. 3, Beta 3-4, NHS 3-4, Pres. 4, Key C. 2-4, Thespian 4, SODA 2-4, Drama 3, Varinian 2-4, Photo Ed. 4, Track 1-2, Football 4, Soccer 2-3, House of Del. 4, Mouse Trap 3, MASH 4, Per. Advis. Coun. 3-4, Teen-Age Republicans 4

REGINA MARIA NELSON

SCA 1-4, Beta 3-4, Red Cross 1, Photo C. 3, Thespian 4, Drama 3-4, NHS 3-4, Varinian 3-4, Stu. Gov't Day 4, Forensics 4, TOOT 2-4, MASH 4, Musical 3-4, ILE 4

REBECCA LYNN NOBLE

SCA 1-4, ICC 3-4, FHA 1-4, Hist. 1, VP 2, Pres. 3, Sec. 4, Beta 3-4, Foreign Cultures 2-3, Pep C. 3, Basketball 2

JIMMY GLENN OLGERS

SCA 1-4

JAMES EDWARD ORTEGA

SCA 1-4

CHRISTIAN RANDALL PETZER

SCA 1-4, Art C. 1-2, DA Staff 2-3, Track 1-2, DECA 3-4, Communications 2-3

SANDRA KAYE PIKE

SCA 1-4, FHA 2-3, Foreign Cultures 2-3, D.A. Staff 3

STEPHEN LEE PLASTER

SCA 1-4

MARK ALAN POOLE

SCA 1-4

AMY FAITH POWERS

SCA 1-4, Rep. 3-4, Beta 3-4, NHS 3-4, Thespian 4, SODA 2-4, Varinian 1-4, Copy Ed. 2, Coord. Ed. 3, Prod. Ed. 4, Gov.' School for the Gifted 3, Band 1-3, Chorus 1, 3-4, VP 3, Pres. 4, Class Pres. 3, VP 4 Musical 3-4, MASH 4, DAR Citizenship Award 4, Forensics 4

DUANE HARRIS RAGSDALE

SCA 1-4, ICC 4, Key C. 3-4, Thespian 3-4, VP 4, Drama 2-4, Pres. 4, Musical 3-4, MASH 4, ILE 4, Forensics 3-4, Football 1-4, Band 1-3, Basketball 1-2

JUDITH RAY RAGSDALE

SCA 1-4, FBLA 3, Beta 3-4, NHS 4, Foreign Cultures 2-3, SODA 4, DA Spec. Ed. 4, Flag Twirler 2, Majorette, 3-4, MASH 4

EDMUND RANDOLPH

SCA 1-4

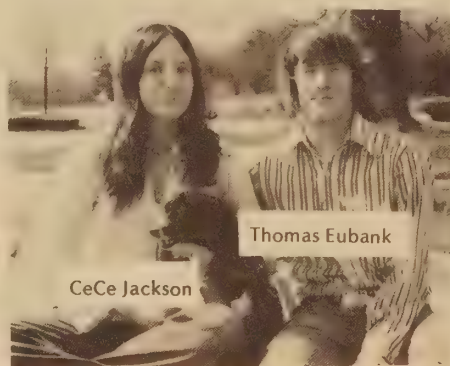


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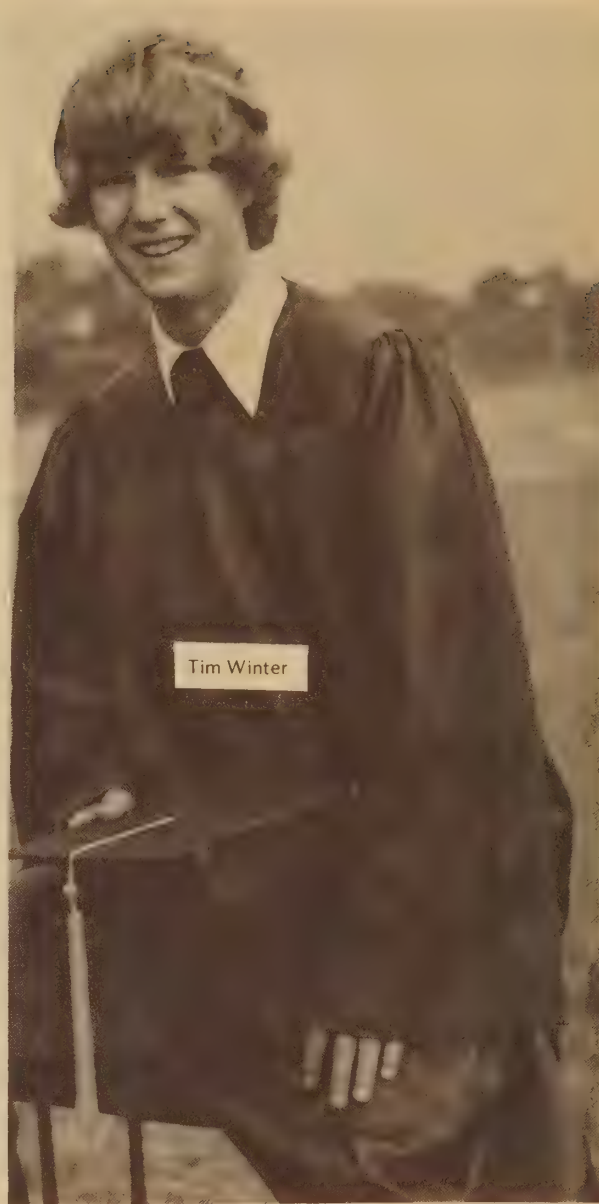


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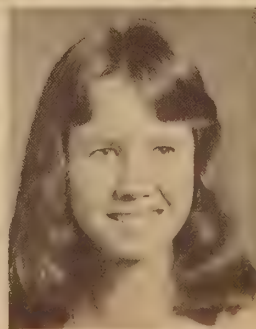
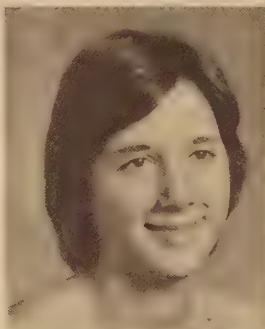
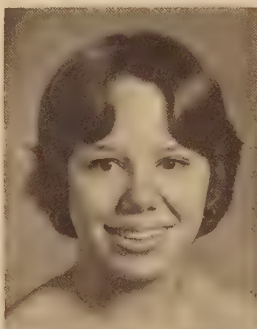
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Regina Nelson

Becky Noble

Jimmy Olgers



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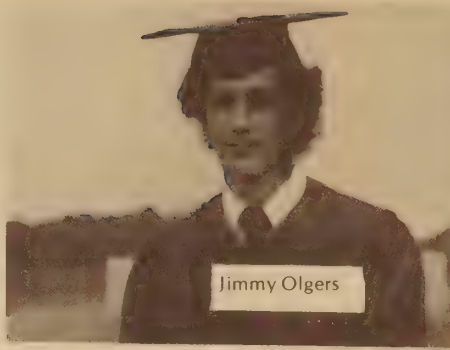
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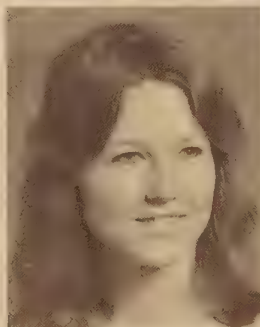
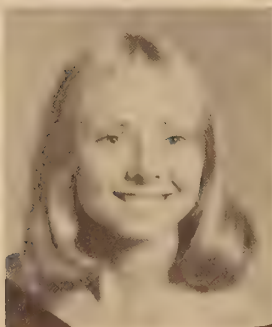
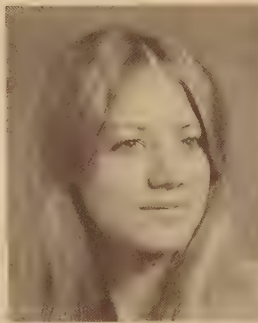
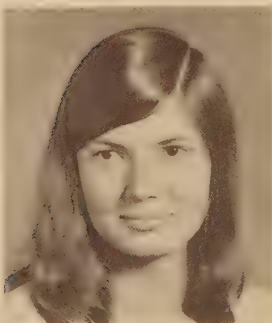
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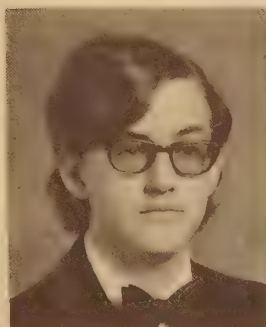
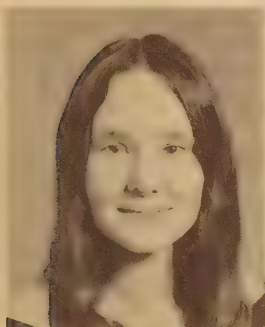
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Caroline Scott

George Shaw

Betty Shelton



JUDY ANN RASNIC

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GARY DEAN RATCLIFFE

SCA 1-4, ICC 4, DA Staff 3, Communications Club 2-4, Pres. 4

PATRICIA REGALI

SCA 1-4

ELIZABETH ANNE REID

SCA 1-4, Rep. 1-2, Key Club Sweetheart 4, FBIA 2-4, Beta 3-4, SODA 3-4, Track 1, Cheerleader 1-4, Co-cap 2, Cap. 4, Homecoming Court 4

WYATT ROSS RENICK

SCA 1-4, Art Club 3, Basketball 4, Baseball 2, 4, Wrestling 2-3

CHARLOTTE ANN REYNOLDS

SCA 1-4, ICC 4, Beta 3-4, Pres. 4, Foreign Cultures 2, SODA 2-4, NHS 3-4, VP 4, class treas. 4, Homecoming Court 4,

Gymnastics 1-4, MVG 3-4, State Champ. 1-4, Student Gov't Day 4

DEBRA ANN REYNOLDS

SCA 1-4, FBIA 4

LINDA JO RICE

SCA 1-4, FBIA 2-4, Beta 3-4

LEE ANN ROBBINS

SCA 1-4, Rep. 1, Red Cross 1, Foreign Cultures 2, Sec. 2, Pep Club 3-4, Pres. 4, Band 1-4, TOOT 3-4, Variety Show 3-4, Girl's State 3, Class Treas. 3, Basketball 1-4, MIP 4

MARY ELLEN ROBINSON

SCA 1-4

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SCA 1-4, FBIA 4, Beta 3-4, Pep Club 3, Track 2-4, Band 1-4, TOOT 2-4, Cross Country Scorekeeper 3-4, Teacher's Aid 3

BRIAN KEITH ROWLAND

SCA 1-4

DAVID PHILIP RUTLEDGE

SCA 1-4, Beta 3-4, Key Club 2-4, Treas. 4, It's Academic 4, Football 1-4, Track 2-3, Chorus 4

JACK STEWART SANDFORD, JR.

SCA 1-4

RONALD CARL SAUNDERS

SCA 1-4, Beta 4, SODA 4

CAROLINE SISK SCOTT

SCA 1-4, FBIA 2-4

GEORGE SHAW

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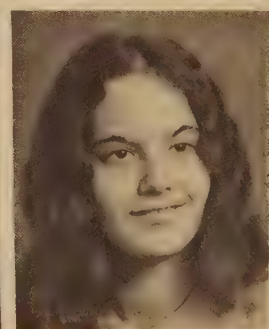
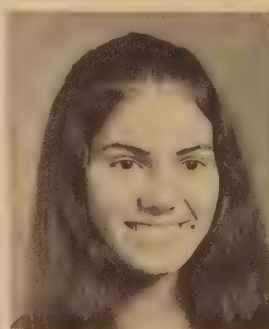
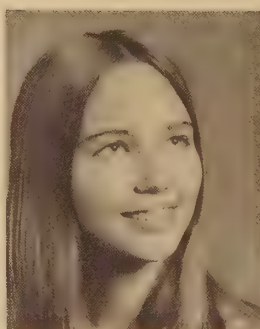
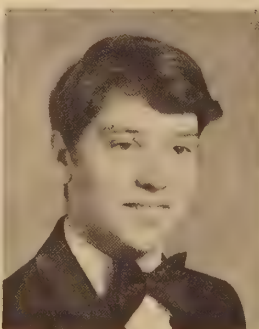
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Donna Smith

Robert Smith

Betty Snyder



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SODA 4, Class VP 3, Sgt.-At-
Arms 4, Football 2, Basketball 1-
4, Baseball 2-4

JAMES CARL SHOOK
SCA 1-4

KAREN LYNELLE
SHUFFLEBARGER
SCA 1-4, Pep Club 2, Red Cross
1, Chorus 1-2, Sec. 2, Flag
Twirler 2

PATRICIA ANN SHUMAKER
SCA 1-4, ICC 2-4, FBLA 2-4, VP
3-4, Beta 3-4, Sec. 4, SODA 3,
NHS 3-4, Sec. 4, DA Staff 1-4,
Ed. 2-3, MV Staffer 2, Freedom
Found. Sem. 2, Class Historian 4,
Homecoming Court 4

TRUDI GAIL SLAUGHTER
SCA 1-4, FBLA 1-4, Red Cross 1,
Pep Club 1, DECA 2
DONNA LYNN SMITH
SCA 1-4, ICC 3-4, Red Cross 1-2,
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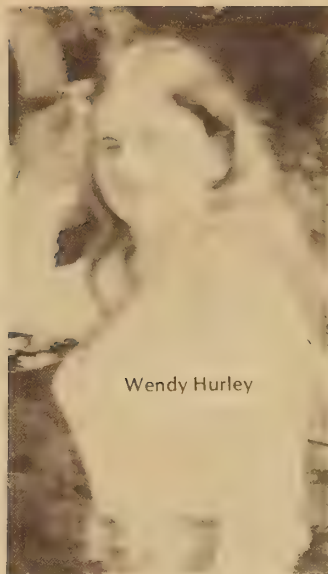
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1-3, Sec. 3, Beta 3-4, Foreign
Cultures 2-3, Pep Club 3-4,
Basketball 2, Chorus 1
CURTIS LEROI STEVENS, JR.
SCA 1-4, VICA 4, Football 1
JESSE AUGUSTUS STRAUGHN,
JR.

SCA 1-4
VICKI LYNN STRICKLER
SCA 1-4
DONALD EVERETTE
SWEENEY, JR.
SCA 1-4, Foreign Cultures 3-4,
Track 1-2, Band 1-4, TOOT 3-4
DONALD TALLEY
SCA 1-5

LYNWOOD PRESTON TATE
SCA 1-4
HENRY LEWIS TAYLOR, JR.
SCA 1-4, VICA 3-2, Football 1,
Track 1
JAMES EDWARD TEICHERT
SCA 1-4



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Doug Sheppard



Wendy Hurley

Football:

Rick McGeorge
All-District Tight End
Mike Young
All-District Linebacker
Best Defensive Player
Eastern All-Star Team
Buddy Martin
Best Lineman
Blair Nelsen
Highest Scholastic
Average

Soccer:

Jay Ellis
Leading Scorer
Joe Moore
Leading Scorer
Most Valuable Player
Manard Warren
Most Valuable Player
Most Improved Player



Tim Ashlin Butch Taylor
Timothy Ferrell

Ronald Webb

John Dean

Pat Somerville

Christie Stegner

Curtis Stevens

Jessie Straughn

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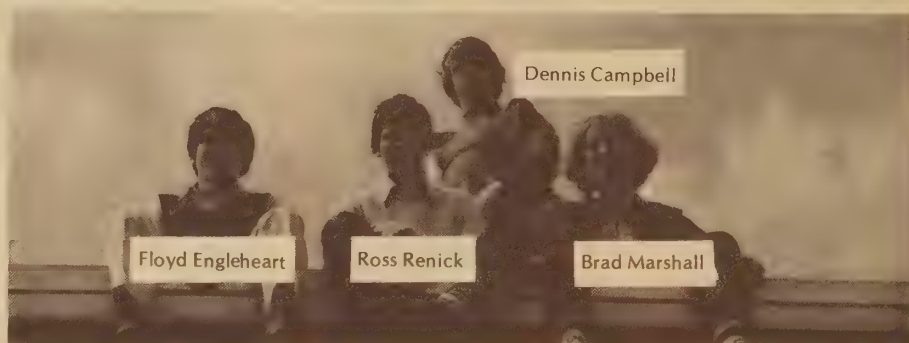
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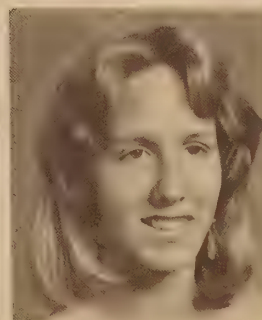
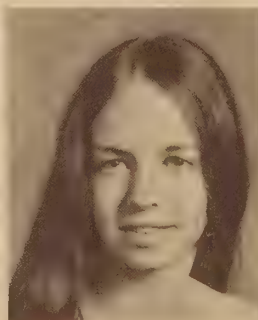
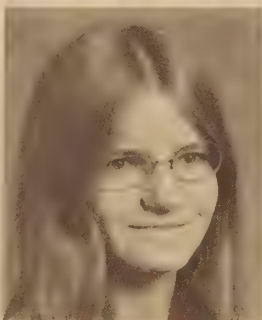
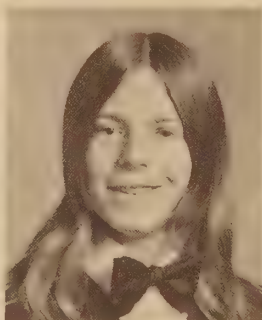
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Kim Vick

Pate Wade





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Christi Bridgers

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Most Valuable Player
Sherland Whitehead
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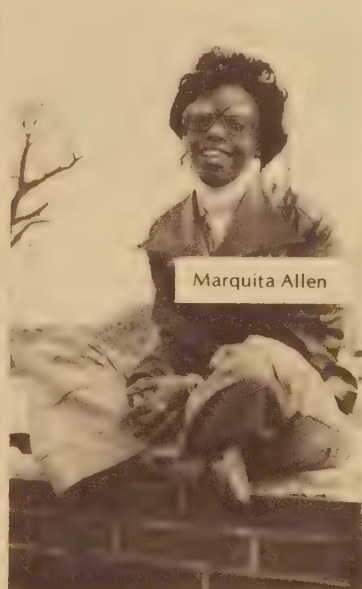
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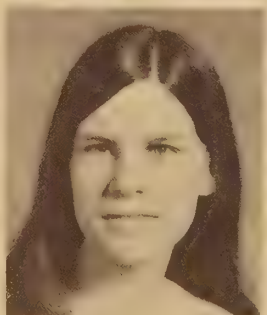
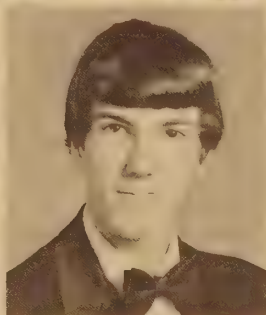
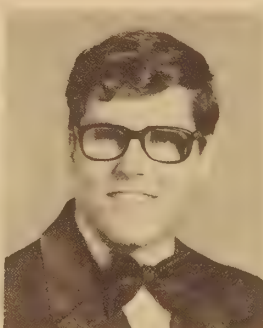
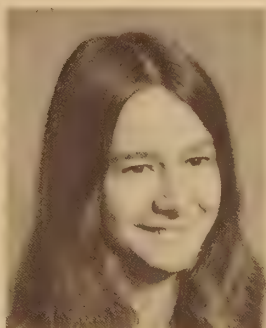
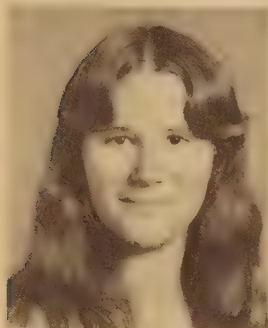
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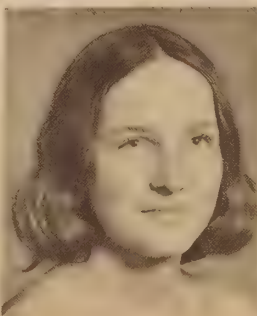
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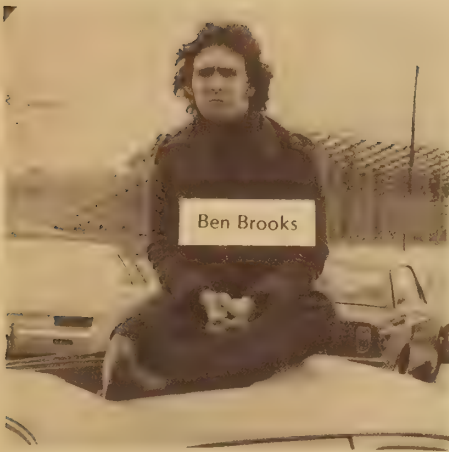
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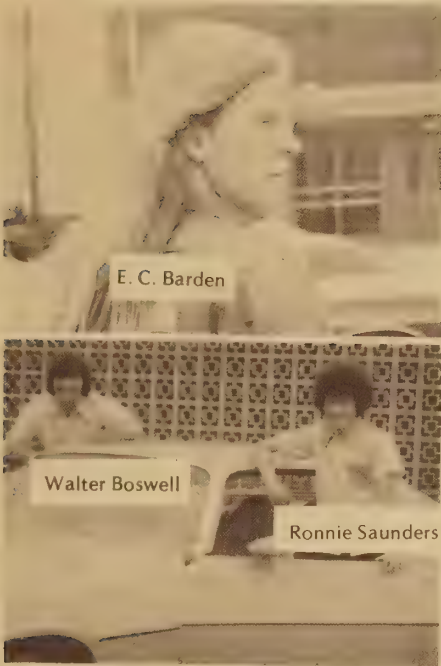
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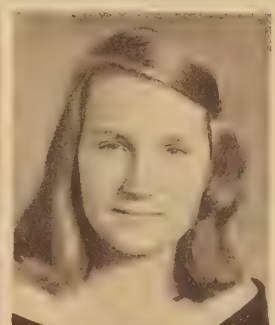
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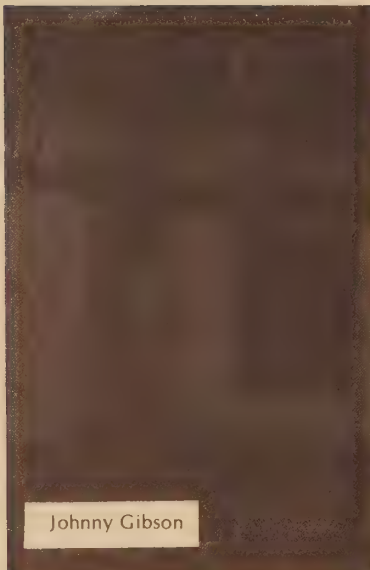
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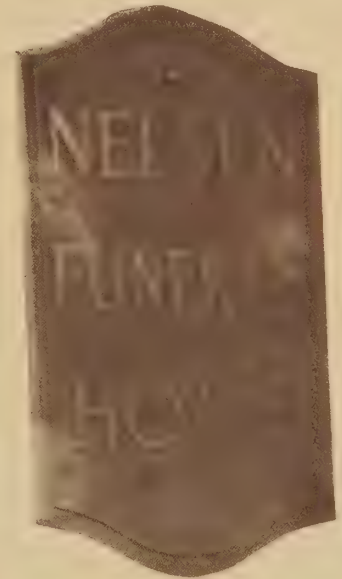
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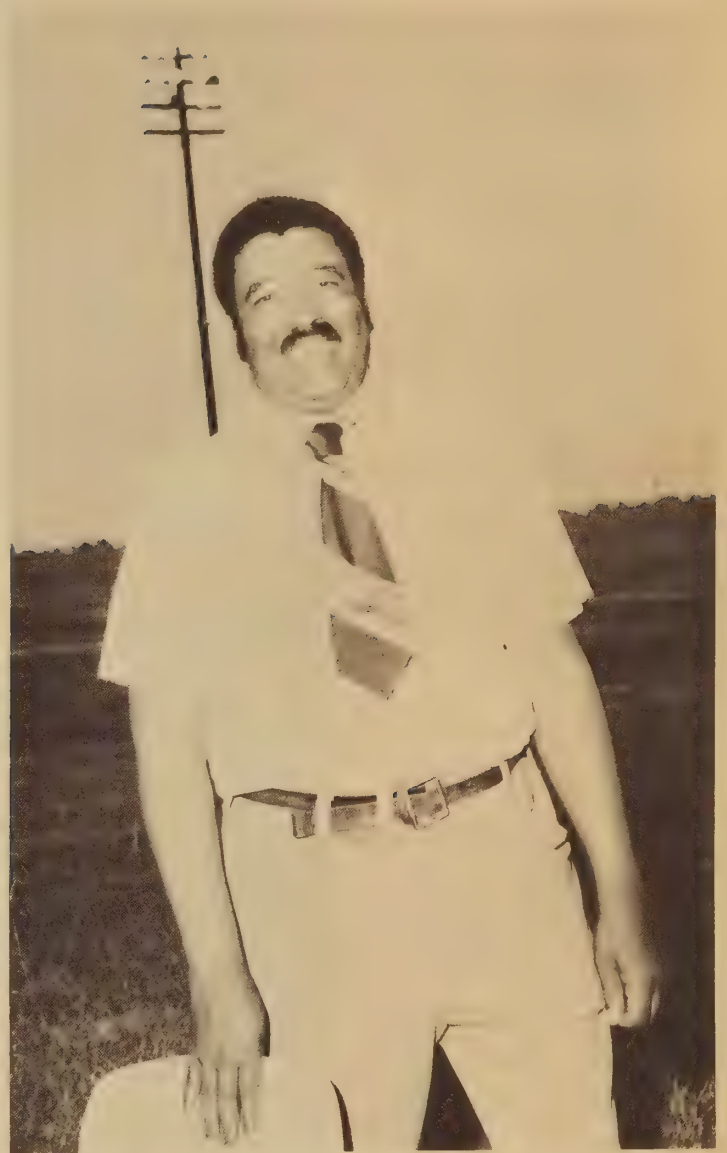


Houdon's Washington Statue

A major factor in every school activity, Louis Harris is well-known and definitely respected by everyone.

Through the Open Door, Varina received Beatrice Alvie, an exchange student from Brazil, who lived with the Ellis family for her senior year.

Enjoying fine gourmet cooking, Jonathan Schmick tours foreign countries during the Foreign Cultures Club banquet.



Hardly realizing the time had passed so quickly, we approached the end of the school session anxiously. As we had all expected, evaluation of ourselves and our country had not been such an easy task.

On the home front, Varina was faced with its accreditation evaluation that rolls around every ten years. Teachers endured and pulled together their two-year efforts to prepare for the state evaluating team. As hoped, Varina passed with flying colors and all were sufficiently relieved.

Varinians themselves were forced to evaluate their goals and aspirations. Many chose school clubs to devote their efforts, and in doing so the VICA and FBLA clubs became state and nationally known. The Teen Age Republicans became active in November, knocking on doors and passing out leaflets. Many times these young activists became discouraged as scandals plagued even the most staunch politician.

4-H members worked hard throughout the county promoting the service that these clubs are noted for. Visits to nursing homes, community beautification projects, various county events, and contest-sponsoring were just a few of the highlights. Many clubbers used the two-hundredth birthday to climax their careers as Regina Nelson, Blair Nelsen, and Martie Dyer became members of All-Stars, the statewide 4-H honor society. Also, Martie Dyer became politically active when she was elected to the State Cabinet.

Community involvement and concern in school gave Varinians much to be proud of. Thanks to the American Legion and its auxiliary, junior class members won trips to Boys' and Girls' States. In late June, Diane Acors, Brenda Marshall, and Robin King left for Longwood, and Jimmy Barden, Tommy Critz, Raymond Smith, and Glen McCune spent their week of governmental experience at Lynchburg College. Throughout the year, the Ruritan, Kiwanis, Civitan, and various women's clubs aided students by sponsoring clubs and trips and giving awards.

The education guaranteed by our government was finally made a little more equal when a bond issue passed, giving the Varina District a much-needed Middle School. So, as the next two hundred years begin, the first middle school will be an establishing factor for continued educational excellence.

Community awareness and spirit were evident when word spread that a sewer



Karen Uzel,
presents her Bicentennial speech
during graduation



Moments of joy, sorrow, and togetherness make up a student's life whether it be 1976 or 1776. Sisters Carter and Margaret Beattie share a winter's day on the pond, Donna Miller quenches a June thirst, Jay Ellis shares his rope during a play break, and Charlotte Reynolds realizes graduation approaches upon receiving her announcements.



system was to be dumped at Deep Bottom. With aid from environmentalists, residents met and forced relocation of the dump away from a historic area. Maybe the largest controversy was the attempted rezoning of Meade's Landing from farming to industrial. The area, considered one of the first settlements, was selected to become the engraving on the county commemorative coin. So when rezoning was refused, Varinians again were proud to know that their heritage was not just to be on the coin, which was designed by a Varina alumna.

Throughout the year, Varinians became active in preparation for the Bicentennial celebration. Governor Godwin in the early fall named Route 5, for many years the main highway from Richmond to the Eastern Shore, a Virginia Byway. In addition to its beauty, this highway, running through the heart of Varina, contains many sites of famous battles with plaques commemorating their existence.

In preparation for this two-hundredth birthday, Varinians have been able to look back many times with astonishment to find that Varina played a major part not only in Revolutionary War history but also in every other era. We find it hard to believe that our existence in a free country may have been lost if it had not been for an incredible woman whose attitude toward the settlers laid the foundations for a country. Pocahontas, whose memorial room is located at Varina Farm, was a true Varinian, and with her spirit any Varinian can accomplish anything.



A sepia-toned photograph of a river scene. In the foreground, there is a sandy or muddy bank with some sparse vegetation. The river flows from the left towards the right. In the background, a dense line of trees borders the river, and a bridge is visible in the distance. The overall tone is historical and serene.

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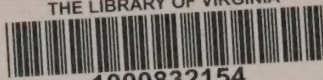
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A most heartfelt thanks is also extended to our ancestors. Thank you for settling this land, choice above all others, that we may grow and prosper and experience freedom.

We, the staff of the Varinian, only hope that the next two hundred years of the United States of America will be as celebrated as the first.

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